THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY & COUNSELLING 2020/2021—SEMSETER-1-FINAL EXAMINATION



BSC HONOURS IN PSYCHOLOGY

PLU5309: CONSUMER AND MEDIA PAYCHOLOGY-LEVEL-5

FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER (ONLINE)

DURATION: 2 HOURS

DATE: 29th MARCH 2022

TIME: 01.30PM.-03.30PM

SECTION 2: STRUCTURED ESSAY QUESTIONS (60 MARKS)

Choose 04 out of the 06 questions given below and answer using the provided answer sheets

- 1. Development of consumer societies paved way for increased buying behaviours supported by advertising.
 - (a) Identify a psychologist who contributed to the application of psychology to advertising field and explain the contribution (7 marks)
 - (b) Discuss the cue-dependent theory of forgetting in relation to remembering and/or forgetting of advertisements? (8 marks)
- 2. Consumer decision marking is influenced by many cognitive, social, emotional among other factors. Discuss the following statements using examples from consumer psychology field.
 - (a) "Anchoring and adjustment affect consumer purchasing behaviour" (5 marks)
 - (b) "Cognitive dissonance will make brands gain or lose customers" (5 marks)
 - (c) "Brand loyalty is mere repeated purchasing of a product" (5 marks)
- 3. The common belief that violent behaviours depicted in media would be modelled through observation has paved way for research into media violence.
 - (a) Describe the four requirements for learning a behaviour according to Psychologist Albert Bandura? (5 marks)
 - (b) Discuss how repeated exposure to entertainment violence may lead to desensitization (10 marks)
- 4. Lifestyle marketing involves segmenting the market on the basis of lifestyle dimensions and positioning the product accordingly.
 - (a) Identify the AIO approach to categorizing consumer lifestyle using examples (7 marks)
 - (b) Discuss the four primary elements of persuasion marketing using examples(8 marks)

- 5. Cyberspace is an environment which allows tools such as social media to thrive and gain advantage of its users.
 - a Briefly explain self-representation in social media through constructive approach (3 marks)
 - b Online purchasing is influenced by psychological factors. Identify and explain two factors with examples (6 marks).
 - c Re-targeting is a term used to explain an online marketing strategy. Critically evaluate the use of this strategy using an example within social media context (6 marks)
- 6. Write short notes on the following topics
 - a Product searching and consumer behaviour (5 marks)
 - b Consumer Brand Identification (5 marks)
 - c Theory of Planned Behaviour and consumer behaviours (5 marks)

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