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



BSC (HONS) IN PSYCHOLOGY PLU5308-CROSS CULTURAL PSYCHOLOGY-LEVEL 05 FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER DURATION: 02 HOURS

DATE: 24th SEPTEMBER 2022

TIME: 1.30AM - 3.30AM

SECTION 2: STRUCTURED ESSAY QUESTIONS (60 MARKS)

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

- 1. Build a short introduction to cross cultural psychology with reference to the following questions
 - (a) What is a definition for culture? (3 marks)
 - (b) Briefly describe two methods used in cross cultural studies with examples (6 marks)
 - (c) Name and briefly describe two key debates that inform cross cultural psychology (6 marks)
- 2. Compare and contrast the following terms
 - (a) Gender cues and gender roles (5 marks)
 - (b) Culture and patriarchy (5 marks)
 - (c) Gender and human development in the Sri Lankan context (5 marks)
- 3. The connection between culture and mental health is a popular discussion in cross cultural psychology
 - (a) Identify and list four components of culture (5 marks)
 - (b) Discuss the ways in which culture influences mental health with reference to the listed components of culture (10 marks)
- 4. Culture and cognition have a close connection.
 - (a) List four cognitive processes (2 marks)
 - (b) Discuss how two different cognitive processes can vary across different cultures using examples (6 marks)
 - (c) "Are psychological phenomena absolute, relative or universal?". Discuss your thoughts about these using definitions of these terms and examples (7 marks)
- 5. Culture and power are important themes discussed in cross cultural psychology.
 - (a) Briefly explain Hofstede model of culture with examples (7 marks)
 - (b) Describe how the concept of 'power distance' is displayed in different countries with examples from cultures/situations (8 marks)
- 6. Write brief notes on following topics
 - (a) The principle of justice in cross cultural research (5 marks)
 - (b) Exploratory and hypothesis testing studies (5 marks)
 - (c) Equivalence in cross cultural research (5 marks)