

UNIVERSITY OF RUHUNA

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Bachelor of Business Administration Degree Programme 2000 Level

Second Semester End Examination (March 2022)

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MKT 22523 - Social Psychology

Duration: Three hours

The question paper contains five (05) questions.

Answer all questions.

Question 01

a. Briefly explain the difference between Social Psychology and Personality Psychology.

(04 Marks)

b. Briefly explain how construal cause differences in human behaviour.

(04 Marks)

c. Explain the role of schemas in automatic thinking.

(06 Marks)

[Total 14 Marks]

Question 02

- a. "Cultural differences influence non-verbal communication". Discuss the statement using appropriate examples. (06 Marks)
- b. "Self-identity formation on social media is challenging due to the context collapse.
 Hence, people adopt different strategies to form audience-focused identities on social media". Discuss the validity of the above statement.
 (08 Marks)

[Total 14 Marks]

Question 03

a. Explain how attitudes can predict spontaneous behaviors and deliberative behaviors.

(06 Marks)

b. A group of university students (representing all academic years) is listening to an industry expert delivering a speech about the competition in the current job market. Explain how persuasive communication can influence these students in changing their attitudes. Use Elaboration Likelihood Model as a guide for your answer.

(08 Marks)

[Total 14 Marks]

Question 04

a. Explain the two main types of conformity.

(06 Marks)

b. Describe when will people conform to informational social influence. Use examples to validate your answer. (08 Marks)

[Total 14 Marks]

Question 05

- a. Explain the difference between social exchange theory and empathy-altruism hypothesis. (06 Marks)
- b. Imagine a person is hit by a car on a busy street and is unconscious in the road. Describe how a bystander can assist this person using the five steps prescribed in the "bystander effect". (08 Marks)

[Total 14 Marks]
