



**SCHOOL OF HUMAN & SOCIAL SCIENCES
INSTITUTE OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT
CHD 630X: PSYCHOPATHOLOGY IN CHILDREN
END OF JUNE 2018 SEMESTER EXAMINATION**

Instructions:

Question ONE is **compulsory**. Answer any other TWO questions from the choices provided
Time: 2 hours

1. Read the following case and answer the questions below

Rachael is an adorable 18-month old child who really smiles and wants to be held by any adult she meets. At first meeting, one wonders why this child's parents are seeking therapy for her. The initial interview with the parents reveals that Rachael came into their home a year ago when she was 6 months old. They were delighted with this loving child, who seemed only to want to please. She had been given up for adoption by her fourteen-year-old mother, who was a foster child herself. The Kiarie's had then adopted her. As Rachael became mobile, they began to have concerns about her readiness to go to any stranger she happened to meet. Mrs. Kiarie also noticed that her warmth and friendliness seemed driven and somewhat empty of genuine feeling.

a) Using DSM – 5 criteria:

- i) Identify the likely diagnosis for Rachael (2 marks)
- ii) Justify your diagnosis using criterion A and C (8 marks)
- ii) Explain the five ethical considerations the child therapist should keep in mind when working with Racheal (10 marks)

2. Using relevant examples, describe how the biological model explains psychopathology in children. (10 marks)

3. Describe five symptoms of each of the following aspects of ADHD in children.

- a) Inattention (5 marks)
- b) Hyperactivity and impulsivity (5 marks)

4. Discuss five treatment approaches for substance use disorders in adolescents (10 marks)

5. Discuss the importance of spiritual dimension in the study of psychopathology in children (10 marks)