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FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

NUED 812: THE PHILOSOPHY & THEORY OF NUSING

STREAMS: Y1T1

TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: .....

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INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Do not write anything on the question paper.
2. Mobile phones and any other reference materials are NOT allowed in the examination room.
3. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

QUESTION 1

- a) Identify the three (3) categories relating to the scope of theories (6 marks)
- b) Describe Orem's general theory (12 marks)

QUESTION 2

- a) Describe the four (4) main paradigms used in nursing (8 marks)
- b) Describe six (6) key concepts in Imogene King's interpersonal system theory (12 marks)

QUESTION 3

- a) Using the metaparadigms of nursing, differentiate between totality and simultaneity paradigms of nursing (8 marks)
- b) Describe Florence Nightingale's contribution to nursing theory (12 marks)

QUESTION 4

- a) Explain four (4) reasons for the continuing evolution of nursing theory (8 marks)
- b) Describe the roles played by a nurse's personal philosophy in the evolving theory of nursing (12 marks)

QUESTION 5

- a) Define the following terms as used in nursing theories (8 marks)
- i. Conceptual framework
  - ii. Construct
  - iii. Paradigm shift
  - iv. Theory
- b) Describe Martha Rogers theory of the science of unitary beings along the four (4) nursing metaparadigms (12 marks)