



AMREF INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION APRIL 2026

AIU 112 -CRITICAL THINKING AND ACADEMIC WRITING EXAM

TIME: Two Hours

Date : 7th April 2026

TIME : Two (2) Hours Start-----5:00PM-----End...7:00PM.....

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1) This exam is out of 70 marks
- 2) Section A: Compulsory (30 Marks)
- 3) Answer all questions in this section.
- 4) Section B: Long essay questions (40 marks)
- 5) Answer any two questions in this section.

SECTION A

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer All Questions in this section.

1. Highlight the significance of four critical thinking skills in academic writing (8 marks).
2. Construct correct deductive and inductive arguments (6 marks).
3. Highlight the importance of developing problem-solving habits (5 marks).
4. State four elements of academic writing (4 marks).
5. State four types of plagiarism (4 marks)
6. Outline three heuristics of critical thinking (3 marks).

SECTION B

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Any Two Questions in this Section

1. With a relevant example, discuss how four logical fallacies impede effective academic writing (20)
2. As a community health worker, skilled in problem-solving, discuss how you would use your problem-solving skills to address the stigmatization of mental health-related issues at your work station (20 marks)
3. Metacognition is not only unavoidable in critical thinking but in effective academic writing. Explain four ways in which metacognition applies in academic writing (20 marks)
4. Logical correctness is not only the DNA of critical thinking, but also necessary in academic writing. Referencing four academic writing types, elaborate on the relevance of logical correctness in each (20 marks)

Discuss how metacognitive skills can be used in addressing stigma associated with mental health in

