



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2019/2020 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION FOR FIRST SEMESTER FOR B.S.C STATISTICS AND PROGRAMMING

ASC 100: INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY

Date:

Time: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS.

QUESTION ONE

a) Define the following sociological concepts giving examples for each:

(6 marks)

- i. Social stratification
- ii. Roles
- iii. Ethnocentrism

b) Conflict is an inherent feature in any society. Using arguments of Karl Max, analyze any current or previous conflict in Kenya.

(6 marks)

c) Explain any three types of socialization.

(6 marks)

d) Evaluate the challenges ailing the family social institution in the society and propose remedies to address them.

(6 marks)

e) Examine the role played by education in the society.

(6 marks)

QUESTION TWO

a) Social institutions are key determinants of human behavior in the society. Discuss.

(10 marks)

b) Examine the arguments advanced by the functionalist perspective in relation to understanding society. (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE

a) Discuss the key elements of culture making reference to relevant examples. (10 marks)

b) Assess the functions of family and political social institutions in the society. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

a) Discuss the forces responsible for social change in our societies.

(10 marks)

b) Argue the case against socialization making reference to relevant examples in the society.

(10

marks)

QUESTION FIVE

Making reference to relevant examples, discuss the contributions of the game theory and social exchange theory to the study of society. (20 marks)