



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2018/2019 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

FIRST YEAR SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF ARTS

ASC 100: INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY

DATE: 25/9/2019

TIME: 8.30-10.30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE

- a) Explain any three sociological concepts applied in sociology. (6 marks)
- b) Discuss the key contributions of Karl Max to the study of sociology. (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) Discuss the arguments that symbolic interactionist theory puts forward in relation to society. (10 marks)
- b) Analyze the interdependence between social institutions in relation to the social statics analogy which was improved by Hebert Spencer. (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a) Discuss the key elements of culture making reference to relevant examples. (10 marks)
- b) Examine the means through which people are socialized in the society. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

“Social change is a sociological concept that is inevitable in every society”. In relation to this, discuss the forces responsible for social change in our societies. (20 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

Examine the contributions of the game theory and social exchange theory to the study of society with the help of appropriate examples. (20 marks)