



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

**SCHOOL OF ARTS, HUMANITIES SOCIAL
SCIENCES AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES
BACHELOR OF ARTS IN URBAN AND
REGIONAL PLANNING**

COURSE CODE: URP 1208-1

COURSE TITLE: PRINCIPLES OF SOCIOLOGY

DATE: 24/4/2023

TIME:1430-1630 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions

This paper consists of TWO printed pages. Please turn over.

QUESTION ONE

Two key sociological perspectives are based around consensus and conflict action. Examine these Sociological perspectives. In your answer, identify the key theorists of these perspectives and give one illustration of how these perspectives are applicable to the present Kenyan society

(20 Marks)

QUESTION TWO

What did Wright Mills mean by 'Sociological Imagination'? With the aid of illustrations, show how you can use such an imagination to address at least two of the problems facing our Kenyan society.

(15 Marks)

QUESTION THREE

'It is only through the process of socialization that we learn to behave in ways that are human'

i. Describe the term socialization

(2 Marks)

ii. Explain and assess the claim stated above

(13 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR

a) Describe the concept of Culture according to Sociologists **(3 Marks)**

b) Identify and explain two components of culture that are common to all societies **(4 Marks)**

c) Using relevant examples show how cultural change occurs in society **(8 Marks)**

QUESTION FIVE

a) Define Social Stratification **(3 Marks)**

(3 Marks)

b) With relevant examples show how Kenyan society is stratified along the following lines

i. Occupations

(3 Marks)

ii. Gender

(3 Marks)

iii. Wealth

(3 Marks)

iv. Political Power

(3 Marks)

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