



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

**REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR
FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
BACHELOR OF ARTS**

COURSE CODE : URP 1204

COURSE TITLE : INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY

DATE: 24TH APRIL 2018

TIME: 1100 - 1300HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- *Answer question ONE (compulsory) and any other TWO questions.*
- *Question one carries 30 marks*
- *All other questions carry 20 marks*

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

Q1. (a) Using suitable examples, explain the difference between:

- i. Status sets and status symbols
- ii. Roles and status
- iii. Folkways and sanctions

(12 Marks)

(b) Discuss four ways in which sociological knowledge aids our understanding Contemporary socio- cultural situations. **(10 Marks)**

(c) Discuss reasons why sociology is considered a science **(8 Marks)**

Q2. (a) Explain the difference between 'Class' and 'caste'. **(5 Marks)**

(b) Discuss three components of social class according to Max weber and show how his thesis applies to contemporary Kenyan situation

(15 Marks)

Q3. (a) Discuss the major focus of vision 2030 as a development strategy in Kenya **(10 Marks)**

(b) Discuss the merits and demerits of Vision 2030 development blue print **(10 Marks)**

Q4 (a) Discuss the major tenets of the linear theory of social change

(10 Marks)

(b) Explain three barriers to rural social change **(10 Marks)**

Q5 (a) Explain three ways in which the Sustainable Development Goals have been adopted in development planning in Kenya **(10 Marks)**

(b) Explain how the exclusion of youth and women in political and economic life of the country has hampered development in the country

(10 Marks)

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