

## **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)