



UNIVERSITY OF JOHANNESBURG

NOVEMBER EXAMINATION PAPER 2014

COURSE: Sociology 1B

TIME: 2 HOURS

PAPER: SOCIAL INEQUALITY

MARKS: 100

SUBJECT CODE: SOS1B21 & SOC1B22

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INSTRUCTIONS:

- THIS EXAMINATION PAPER CONSISTS OF TWO SECTIONS.
 - ANSWER **SECTION A** AND **SECTION B** IN SEPARATE EXAM BOOKS AND MARK EACH CLEARLY AS EITHER SECTION A OR SECTION B.
 - PLACE THE BOOK MARKED SECTION B INTO THE BOOK MARKED SECTION A AND SUBMIT AS ONE AT THE END OF THE SESSION.
 - EACH SECTION CONSISTS OF TWO QUESTIONS.
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SECTION A
Class, Race & Gender

QUESTION 1

Define and briefly describe **ANY FIVE (5)** of the following concepts.
Each concept is marked out of 5:

- 1.1) Stratification (5 marks)
- 1.2) Feminisation of poverty (5 marks)
- 1.3) Class (5 marks)
- 1.4) Minority (5 marks)
- 1.5) Ascribed Status (5 marks)
- 1.6) Xenophobia (5 marks)
- 1.7) Gender (5 marks)
- 1.8) Underclass (5 marks)

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QUESTION 2

Answer **ANY ONE (1)** of the following essay questions.

Your answer will be marked out of 25:

2.1) How is class different from the other forms of social stratification? In your response consider how the Marxists and Functionalist differ in their explanation of social stratification (25).

OR

2.2) Critically examine the issues of race and racism in South Africa and consider how the different sociological perspectives define them (25).

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SECTION A: TOTAL = 50 MARKS

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SECTION B: POWER, STATE AND THE WORKPLACE

QUESTION 3

Define and briefly describe **ANY FIVE (5)** of the following concepts.
Each concept is marked out of 5:

- 3.1 Discuss Gramsci's notion of hegemony. (5 marks)
- 3.2 Discuss Mann's Distributional and Collective forms of power. (5 marks)
- 3.3 Define mechanical and organic forms of solidarity. (5 marks)
- 3.4 Define relative autonomy. (5 marks)
- 3.5 Define Marx's concept of alienation (5 marks)
- 3.6 Discuss Braverman's view of the degradation of work. (5 marks)
- 3.7 Discuss the theory of Scientific Management. (5 marks)

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QUESTION 4

Answer **ANY ONE (1)** of the following essay questions. Your answer will be marked out of 25:

- 4.1** Discuss the Fordist and Post-Fordist forms of workplace production. Include a discussion of flexible firms and provide a critique of Post-Fordism and the theories of flexibility.

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OR

- 4.2** Examine how the four theorists – Marx, Miliband, Poulantzas and Gramsci:
- a. Define their approaches to the state.
 - b. Define the state.
 - c. Determine who has power in the state?
 - d. Determine how those who have power, maintain their power?
 - e. View the overthrow of capitalism.

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**SECTION B: TOTAL = 50 MARKS
TOTAL MARKS FOR PAPER: 100**

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