



University of Fort Hare
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SOC 312

MAY/JUNE EXAMINATIONS

2023

Contemporary Sociological Theory

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER THREE (3) QUESTIONS

TIME: 3HRS

MARKS: 100

INTERNAL EXAMINER

EXTERNAL EXAMINER

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QUESTION 1

EITHER

- 1 (a) Discuss the main tenets of Kingsley Davis and Wilbert Moore's theory of social stratification. (33)

OR

- 1 (b) Carefully examine both the merits and demerits of the functionalist theory of social stratification offered by Melvin Tumin. (33)

QUESTION 2

Erik Wright had conceptualized the numerous cases of people who did not fit into the bourgeois - proletarian dichotomy. Provide a comprehensive exposition of his views and use a diagram to illustrate your answer. (33)

QUESTION 3

Discuss the structural changes presented by Ralph Dahrendorf in his attempt to offer the empirical refutation and theoretical supersession of Karl Marx's theory. (33)

QUESTION 4

Critically examine the concept of globalization. In your answer, pay particular attention to its conceptualization, what is globalized and what is not, who wants globalization and who does not, and finally the contemporary sociological theories of globalization. (33)

QUESTION 5

Discuss the contemporary sociological theories of feminism. In your answer, pay special attention to gender difference, gender inequality, gender oppression and structural oppression theories and their sub-variants. (33)

QUESTION 6

Systematically examine the evolution and main components of the international human rights regime (International Bill of Rights).

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