

THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL STUDIES
BA DEGREE IN SOCIAL SCIENCES – LEVEL III (2018/2019)
OLD SYLLABUS
FINAL EXAMINATION – FIRST SEMESTER
SSU1205 INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY
DURATION – THREE (3) HOURS



Date: 16th FEBRUARY 2019

Time: 9.30am to 12.30pm

Instructions:

- Please answer 5 questions only.
 - Each question is worth twenty (20) marks.
1. Discuss the relationship between Sociology and the other social sciences.
 2. Discuss how theories of evolution influenced Functionalism.
 3. Describe the key features of conflict theory.
 4. Explain the survey method and discuss its strengths and weaknesses.
 5. Describe the major steps to be followed in conducting a sociological study.
 6. Define social stratification. Use an example to describe a form of social stratification that you have observed in society.
 7. Examine the role of religion in Sri Lankan society especially in relation to maintaining social order.
 8. “Gender discrimination does not exist in Sri Lankan society”. Critically examine this statement.
 9. Write short notes on four (4) of the following:
 - a. Family
 - b. Gender
 - c. Caste
 - d. Norms
 - e. Role and Status

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