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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER, MAY 2011

TITLE OF PAPER : INDUSTRIAL SOCIOLOGY

COURSE CODE : SOC409

TIME ALLOWED : THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS.
2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS

**THIS QUESTION PAPER MUST NOT BE OPENED UNTIL PERMISSION
HAS BEEN GRANTED BY THE INVIGILATOR.**

SOC409: INDUSTRIAL SOCIOLOGY

1. Critically discuss the diverse perspectives on the relationship between culture and work in contemporary society.
2. Analyse the social organisation of work among hunter-gatherers in the modern world.
3. Examine the defining characteristics of Fordism and explain how they differ from pre-Fordist ways of organising production.
4. What distinguishes the professions from other occupational forms? Provide appropriate examples to illustrate your viewpoints.
5. Discuss Harry Braverman's theoretical critique of the capitalist labour process.
6. Compare and contrast Karl Marx's and Robert Blauner's analyses of alienation.
7. Explain how the nature of job tasks and individual differences in the experience of work influence job satisfaction.
8. Citing examples from Southern Africa, explain why an analysis of the interaction between union orientation and action is important in understanding union responses to workplace restructuring.