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TITLE OF PAPER : SOCIAL STRATIFICATION

COURSE CODE : SOC 204

TIME ALLOWED : TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS :

1. ANSWER ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS.
2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS.
3. TOTAL MARKS 100.

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QUESTION 1

Social stratification can be examined from different sociological perspectives. Discuss, illustrating your answer with examples.

QUESTION 2

Examine how socio-economic differences among social groups affect the education of their children.

QUESTION 3

Explain the concept of glass ceiling in social stratification, using examples to illustrate your answer.

QUESTION 4

Research on Swaziland has found that women are under-represented in leadership and decision-making positions in the public and private sectors. Discuss this statement.

QUESTION 5

Discuss the factors which cause social mobility in social stratification.

QUESTION 6

What does C. Wright Mills mean by the "power elite"? Who belongs to it? And in what sectors of society are the members located?