



UNIVERSITY OF ESWATINI

FIRST SEMESTER RESIT EXAMINATION PAPER, JANUARY 2020

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY AND SOCIAL WORK

COURSE CODE: SOC313

TITLE OF PAPER: CLASSICAL SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

Instructions

Answer any three questions.

Special Requirements

None

Additional Material (s)

None

*Candidates may complete the front cover of their answer book when instructed by the Chief Invigilator and sign their examination attendance cards but must **NOT** write anything else until the start of the examination period is announced.*

No electronic devices capable of storing and retrieving text, including electronic dictionaries and any form of foreign material may be used while in the examination room.

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SOC313: CLASSICAL SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY

1. Analyse the intellectual forces that played a central role in the development of sociological theory in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries.
2. Examine the main aims of Auguste Comte's sociology. In your analysis, consider both his theoretical and methodological arguments.
3. Explain the extent to which you would agree with Karl Marx's assertion that a structure of stratification emerges in all societies based on control of the means of production.
4. With reference to Emile Durkheim's *The Division of Labour in Society* (1893), discuss the features and content of the collective conscience associated with mechanical and organic solidarity.
5. Examine Max Weber's definition of the term causality, and critically discuss his arguments regarding the place of values in social research. Provide examples to support your viewpoints.
6. Evaluate the contributions of Georg Simmel to the discipline of Sociology.