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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER DECEMBER 2015

TITLE OF PAPER: SOCIAL WORK PROCESSES AND HUMAN DIVERSITY

COURSE CODE: SWK 223

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS

ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS

MARKS: 100

QUESTION PAPER MUST NOT BE OPENED UNTIL PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED

Question 1

Discuss with examples the concept of human diversity in social work practice and how it affects the helping process.

Question 2

Human diversity in social work practice is built on values and ethics. Discuss the social work values and ethics associated with human diversity and demonstrate your understanding by providing relevant examples.

Question 3

Cultural awareness enables a social worker to become culturally sensitive. Critically discuss what is meant by a culturally competent social work practice that embraces diversity.

Question 4

How is diversity and cultural competency in social work practice affected by international migration?

Question 5

A single mother decides to enroll her son living with disability who is confined to a wheelchair into a school of able-bodied children instead of a school for the disabled. Friends, family and colleagues are against her decision.

Consider the decision of the mother with respect to its possible implications, bearing in mind the notion of human diversity and the dignity and worth of every human being.

Question 6

As a social worker how do you deal with personal biases and values in working with diverse groups in instances where your personal values conflict with the culture of the clients?