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**THIRD YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF ARTS (ECONOMICS & SOCIOLOGY)**

SOCI 301: FOUNDATIONS OF SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY

STREAMS: B.A. (ECON & SOCI) Y3S1

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 11/12/2012

8.30 A.M – 10.30 A.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN SECTION A AND TWO QUESTIONS IN SECTION B.
MARKS WILL BE AWARDED FOR APPROPRIATE ILLUSTRATIONS.

SECTION A:

- Q1. (i) What term is used to describe sociologists who model Sociology on natural sciences? [2 marks]
- (ii) Identify and describe two basic assumptions of post-modernism. [4 marks]
- (iii) What are the differences between studying people and studying natural objects? [9 marks]
- Q2. Identify and describe three types of authority according to Weber. [15 marks]

SECTION B:

- Q3. Outline and assess the contribution of interactionists to understanding the individual and the society. [20 marks]
- Q4. Give reasons why the Sociological model developed by either Marx or Durkheim or Weber remains of interest and use to sociologists today. Are there any ways in which you think their perspectives are now outdated? [20 marks]

- Q5. (i) Explain the concept of globalization. [8 marks]
- (ii) Outline and assess the institutions of modernity according to Giddens (1990). [12 marks]
- Q6. To what extent is it correct to suggest that Sociology emerged out of the aftermath of the industrial and political revolutions of the eighteenth and nineteenth Centuries and is still obsessed with their consequences? [20 marks]
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