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University Examinations 2015/2016

FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR IN HORTICULTURE

ALP 2401: SOCIOLOGY OF EXTENSION AND DEVELOPMENT

DATE: NOVEMBER 2015

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question **one** and any other **two** questions

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

a)	here has been an academic debate whether sociology is a science or not. Discuss five	
	proofs that sociology is a science.	(10 Marks)
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- b) Define the following concepts as used in agricultural extension.
 - i) Social groups
 - ii) Social change
 - iii) Change agent
 - iv) Informal education
 - v) Socialization (5 Marks)
- c) Describe any five Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) (10 Marks)
- d) Discuss the role of farmer groups in rural development (5 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

a) The adaption of innovations in agriculture is known to follow a certain trend. Discuss the adaption process of a new poultry breed by farmers in Kenya. (10 Marks)
b) Culture gives identity of any society. Discuss the various characteristics of culture (10 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss five effective methods of disseminating information in agricultural extension (10Marks)
- b) For a young person to obtain a loan from UWEZO FUND, they must be in a registered group. Explain why this is important. (10 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

a) Distinguish between primary and secondary social groups (5 Marks)
b) Discuss National Agricultural and Livestock Extension Programme (NALEP) giving its objectives, mode of operation, successes and failures. (15 Marks)