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**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN
ECONOMICS AND SOCIOLOGY**

SOCI 344: SOCIOLOGY OF WORK AND OCCUPATION

STREAMS: BA (ECO & SOCI) Y2S2

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: MONDAY 05/07/2021

2.30 P.M. – 4.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- **Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions.**

- Q1. (a) Using relevant examples, make what notes on the following
- (i) Work (3 marks)
 - (ii) Strike (3 marks)
 - (iii) Leisure (3 marks)
 - (iv) Employment (3 marks)
- (b) “Social class background is no longer a barrier to achieving upward social mobility? Explain and assess this view. (18 marks)
- Q2. “Weber believed bureaucratic organizations were the dominant institutions of modern societies.”
- (i) What is the definition of bureaucracy? (2 marks)
 - (ii) To what extent do you agree/disagree that bureaucracy is the most efficient form of organizing work? (18 marks)
- Q3. (a) What is the definition of the term unemployment? (2 marks)
- (b) “Unemployment is not equally distributed among groups in the population.” Discuss. (18 marks)
- Q4. (a) Strikes are an expression of industrial conflicts. Identify and explain three factors that bring about strikes. (6 marks)

- (b) Suggest and discuss four ways of resolving industrial conflicts in the work place. (14 marks)
- Q5. To what extent do you agree/disagree that computer technology has redefined the way work is done? Give examples to illustrate your answer. (20 marks)
- Q6. List and discuss four functions of work and economy as theorized by functionalists. Illustrate your answer with relevant examples. (20 marks)
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