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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2024/2025

**FIRST YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF
EDUCATION**

EMG 4104: EDUCATIONAL SOCIOLOGY

DATE: JANUARY 2025

TIME: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any other THREE Questions.

QUESTION ONE - (24 MARKS)

- a) Briefly discuss the following concepts as they relate to sociology of education. (12 Marks)
 - i. Society
 - ii. Culture
 - iii. Socialization
- b) “Sociology of education is of less importance to a teacher-trainee in the modern society”. Critique this idea. (12 Marks)

QUESTION TWO - (12 MARKS)

- a) Briefly discuss any three concerns of sociology of education. (6 Marks)
- b) Demonstrate how a school qualifies to be a social organization. (6 Marks)

QUESTION THREE - (12 MARKS)

- a) Citing clear examples from the society, critique the role of the family as an agent of socialization. (6 Marks)
- b) Briefly explain how mass media influences social norms. (6 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR - (12 MARKS)

- a) Briefly explain the concept of socio-economic status. (4 Marks)
- b) Citing specific examples explain how any four socio-economic status of families have affected schooling in Kenya. (8 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (12 MARKS)

- a) Demonstrate how teaching qualifies to be a profession. (6 Marks)
- b) Briefly discuss any three factors that hinder acquisition of professional status in teaching. (6 Marks)