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SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

UNIVERSITY REQUIRED COURSES (UGRC)

SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS: 2016/17

UGRC 131: UNDERSTANDING HUMAN SOCIETIES/CULTURE AND DEVELOPMENT

(3 CREDITS)

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

ANSWER ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS: WITH **ONE (1) QUESTION FROM SECTION A** AND **TWO (2) QUESTIONS FROM SECTION B.**

**TIME ALLOWED: TWO AND A HALF (2½) HOURS**

**SECTION A**

1. How would you define culture to reflect the three (3) components of culture?
  - a. With relevant examples, discuss any five (5) characteristics of culture.
2. Name three (3) pre-industrial subsistence strategies and explain how they are organized.

**SECTION B**

3. Assess the view that globalization is both a boon and a bane to the development of developing countries.
4.
  - a. Explain the term sustainable development and elaborate on the three major aspects of sustainability
  - b. Suggest two ways each of ensuring sustainable water and energy usage.
5.
  - a. Explain the factors that influence population growth in developing countries.
  - b. Outline four ways of curbing the effects of population explosion on the environment.
6. Explain the concept development and assess the relevance of the Modernization and Dependency theories to understanding underdevelopment in developing countries.