

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE

EXAMINATION FOR ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES 2

SEMESTER I: 2011-2012

SC2205 - SOCIOLOGY OF FAMILY

SOCIOLOGY

November 2011 - Time Allowed 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. This examination paper contains **TWO** sections: Section A and Section B, and comprises **TWO** pages.
2. **Question 1 in Section A is a compulsory question.**
3. Answer any **TWO** questions from **Section B**.
4. You must answer a total of **THREE** questions. All questions have equal weight (33.3%).
5. This is a **CLOSED BOOK** examination.

SECTION A: COMPULSORY QUESTION

1. Critically discuss how structural functionalism and conflict theory provide different understandings of the nuclear family in an industrialized society with regard to the nuclear family's contribution to society. In your answer, provide the definition of nuclear family.

SECTION B: CHOOSE TWO QUESTIONS

2. In her book *The Second Shift* (1997), Hochschild introduced the concept of "stalled revolution". Describe this concept and discuss how it impacts families in Singapore.
3. Burgess (1963) argued that marriage has changed "from an institution to a companionship". Explain the meaning of this statement in relation to historical changes in the mode of production.
4. Explain the meaning of "population aging" and critically discuss its effects on intergenerational family ties with regard to filial piety in Singapore society.

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