

WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY IN AFRICA



Addressing gender disparity and fostering equity in University Education

FACULTY OF SOCIAL AND GENDER TRANSFORMATIVE SCIENCES

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MAIN PAPER

GS 224: GENDER AND SOCIAL CHANGE

INTAKE 9: SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

DATE: 2020

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Answer any **two** questions.
2. All questions carry equal marks.

Question 1

Using examples, examine how the four waves of feminism have contributed to changes in the structure or functioning of social systems. [25]

Question 2

Explain with examples what is meant by the following terms:

- a) Social structure; [5]
- b) Social change; [5]
- c) Gender shift; [5]
- d) Horizontal and vertical segregation; and [5]
- e) Glass ceiling. [5]

Question 3

Using global case studies, discuss gender antagonism and male aggression in relation to shifting gender roles. [25]

Question 4

Critique the following social change theories:

- a) Modernisation Theory; [5]
- b) Dependency Theory; [5]
- c) World Systems Theory; [5]
- d) Conflict Theory; and [5]
- e) Evolutionary Theory. [5]

Question 5

Analyse the Dependency Theory of social change from a Marxist Feminist Perspective. [25]

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