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MAIN EXAMINATION

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FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT & SOCIAL STUDIES

REGULAR PROGRAMME

SS0 313/ SSW 211: URBAN SOCIOLOGY/ URBANIZATION

Date: DECEMBER 2021

Duration: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any TWO Questions

Q1.a) Do a comparative analysis of fertility/mortality, age/sex differentials in urban and rural areas. **(15 marks)**

b) What do you understand by the term “melting-pot theory” in reference to the American and African urbanization process? **(15 marks)**

Q2. Why is urban mass behavior a fascinating subject to social scientists? Briefly outline the pros and cons of urban mass behavior. **(20 marks)**

Q3. Using a city of your own choice in Africa, discuss the proposition that “ African cities are villages within cities” **(20 marks)**

Q4. Outline the factors that cause overcrowding in African cities and highlight some Government interventions in addressing the housing problem. Use concrete examples to support your answer. **(20 marks)**

Q5. Discuss the role of the urban informal sector in addressing the unemployment problem in African cities. **(20 Marks)**

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