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Course: Terms Related to HSS

1. Culture – the total way of life shared by members of a society, including language, values, and

material objects.

2. Society – population that shares the same territory and is bound together by economic and political

ties.

3. Values – shared ideas about desirable goals.

4. Norms – shared rules of conduct that specify how people ought to think or act.

5. Socialization – the process of learning the roles, statuses, and values necessary for participation in

social institutions.

6. Mass Media – all forms of communication designed to reach broad audiences.

7. Exchange – voluntary interaction from which all parties expect some reward.

8. Cooperation – interaction that occurs when people work together to achieve shared goals.

9. Conflict – struggle over scarce resources that is not regulated by shared rules; it may include

attempts to destroy, injure, or neutralize one's rivals.

10. Bureaucracy - a special type of complex organization characterized by explicit rules and

hierarchical authority structure, all designed to maximize efficiency.

11. Social Control – consists of the forces and processes that encourage conformity, including self-

control, informal control, and formal control.

12. Deviance – refers to norm violations that exceed the tolerance level of the community and result in

negative sanctions.

- 13. Conformity adhering to the rules of a group.
- 14. Social Stratification an institutionalized pattern of inequality in which social statuses are ranked on the basis of their access to scarce resources.
- 15. Caste rely largely on ascribed statuses as the basis for distributing scarce resources.
- 16. Class in Marxist theory, class refers to a person's relationship to the means of production. Class systems rely largely on achieved statuses as the basis for distributing scarce resources.
- 17. Race a category of people treated as distinct because of physical characteristics to which social importance has been assigned.
- 18. Minority Group group that is culturally, economically, and politically subordinate.
- 19. Majority Group (Dominant) group that is culturally, economically, and politically dominant.
- 20. Family group of persons linked together by blood, adoption, marriage, or quasi:marital commitment.
- 21. Religion system of beliefs and practices related to sacred things that unites believers into a moral community.
- 22. Politics the social structure of power within a society.
- 23. Democracy political system that provides regular, constitutional opportunities for a change in leadership according to the will of the majority.
- 24. Demography the study of population (size, growth, and composition).
- 25. Migration movement of people from one geographic area to another.
- 26. Social Change any significant modification or transformation of social structures and sociocultural processes over time.
- 27. Social Movement an ongoing, goal:directed effort to fundamentally challenge social institutions, attitudes, or ways of life.