

**SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**MODULE AND CODE:** INTRODUCTION TO ANTHROPOLOGY (ANTH101P1)

**MAIN EXAMINATION:** JUNE 2014

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**DURATION:** 3 Hours

**TOTAL MARKS:** 100

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**STUDENTS ARE REQUESTED, IN THEIR OWN INTERESTS, TO WRITE  
LEGIBLY.**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Answer questions from **ALL** sections.
  2. Choose **ONE** question from section A
  3. Answer **ALL** questions from section B
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**SECTION A**

1. Critically discuss the Nineteenth Century theory of Evolutionism in relation to the social evolution of cultures.  

**[40]**
2. Anthropology has been described as the holistic study of humankind. Critically discuss this statement. Your essay should include the four subfields of anthropology and their role in making the discipline holistic.  

**[40]**
3. Discuss how different societies allocate power, control conflict and maintain order in the four major systems of Political organisation.  

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**SECTION B**

1. Discuss ghost marriage as it is practiced among the Nuers of Sudan and the Chinese.  

**[10]**
2. Discuss bilineal descent among the Yäko of south-eastern Nigeria  

**[10]**
3. Explain with relevant examples the differences between Unilineal and Cognatic descent  

**[10]**

4. Discuss balanced reciprocity in the Kula ring and show how gift giving serves to facilitate social interaction and smooth social relations between traders wanting to do business.

**[10]**

5. Differentiate between ethnology and ethnography

**[10]**

6. Highlight the Key elements of participant observation and discuss the Skills required by a participant observer

**[10]**