



# LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI – 600 034

**B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – SOCIOLOGY**

**FOURTH SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2024**



**USO 4501 – CONTEMPORARY SOCIOLOGICAL THEORY**

Date: 13-11-2024

Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 09:00 am-12:00 pm

## SECTION A - K1 (CO1)

**Answer ALL the Questions**

**(10 x 1 = 10)**

**1. Define the following:**

a) Dramaturgy

b) Unit Act.

c) Stigma

d) Latent function

e) Discourse

**2. Fill in the blanks**

a) \_\_\_\_\_ wrote 'On the Shoulders of Giants'.

b) \_\_\_\_\_ is associated with the concept of panopticon.

c) \_\_\_\_\_ is associated with the concept of public sphere.

d) \_\_\_\_\_ wrote the 'Presentation of Self in everyday life'.

e) \_\_\_\_\_ wrote the book 'The Birth of the Clinic'.

## SECTION A - K2 (CO1)

**Answer ALL the Questions**

**(10 x 1 = 10)**

**3. Match the following**

a) Liquid Love. - Erving Goffman

b) Back Stage - Zygmunt Bauman

c) Discipline and Punish - Ulrich Beck

d) Risk Society - Robert K Merton

e) Anomie - Michael Foucault

**4. TRUE or FALSE**

a) Bauman is associated with the concept of manifest function.

b) The sociological concept 'sick role' was proposed by Robert K Merton

c) Ascription is one of the five pattern variables.

d) Bauman wrote the book Asylums : 'Essays on the Social Situation of Mental Patients and other Inmates'

e) Talcott Parsons wrote the book 'The Structure of Social Action'.

## SECTION B - K3 (CO2)

**Answer any TWO of the following**

**(2 x 10 = 20)**

5. Illustrate the major ideas in the theory of structural functionalism.

6. Explain Merton's analysis of the three types of function.

7. How does phenomenology interpret society?

8. Highlight the major ideas in ethnomethodology.

**SECTION C – K4 (CO3)**

	<b>Answer any TWO of the following</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>(2 x 10 = 20)</b></span>
9.	Explain Foucault's concept of Power. How does knowledge and power affect each other?
10.	Trace the origin of critical theory.
11.	Explain Bauman's theory of liquid modernity.
12.	Evaluate Pierre Bourdieu's work on capital and its various types of capital.

**SECTION D – K5 (CO4)**

	<b>Answer any ONE of the following</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>(1 x 20 = 20)</b></span>
13.	Evaluate Parsons's concepts of Pattern Variables.
14.	Examine Habermas's idea of legitimisation crisis.

**SECTION E – K6 (CO5)**

	<b>Answer any ONE of the following</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>(1 x 20 = 20)</b></span>
15.	Examine in detail Bauman's idea that modernity has its limits and can lead to oppression.
16.	Evaluate Beck theory of Risk Society.

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