

MPhil Entrance Exam

Department of Sociology

Forman Christian College (A Chartered University)

Time: 1hr 20 minutes

[Please attempt one question each from the following four sections (Section A-D).

Use the Answer sheet to write structured essays for each of the 4 questions you will be answering. Twenty minutes have been allocated for each question. Each question carried equal marks.]

Section A: Sociological Theory

Q1. There are more advantages for theories of structure compared to theories of interpretivism. Please assess this claim?

or

Q2. Do you agree that conflict theories are more useful in explaining the complex problems faced in South Asia?

Section B: Gender and Stratification

Q1. Which gender theories can help us to understand the barriers females face in educational attainment and achievement?

or

Q2. Assess the strengths and limitations of dependency theories which attempt to explain global inequality?

Section C: Culture and Development

Q1. How does the study of sociology help in explaining the relationship between culture and religion?

or

Q2. With the use of sociological theories describe the relationship between poverty and ill-health?

Section D: Research Methods

Q1. Using sociological research methods, design a study you would want to conduct during your M-Phil program (including all operationalization stages)?

or

Q2. Using sociological research methods, design a study to evaluate urban poverty in Pakistan?