

UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBO, SRI LANKA

FACULTY OF ARTS

THIRD YEAR EXAMINATION IN ARTS – SEMESTER II – 2016/2017

SOC 3255 – Introduction to Psychological Disorders

Two (02) Hours

Answer Three (03) questions only, One question from Part I and two questions from Part II

Part I Essay Type Question – (30 marks)

1. “An abnormal reaction to an abnormal situation is normal behavior.” Critically discuss Viktor E. Frankl’s statement in “Man’s search for Meaning” by questioning what an abnormal behavior might be.
2. ‘Deinstitutionalization has negative outcomes particularly for chronically mentally ill patients.’ Discuss this statement with special reference to the Sri Lankan context.

Part II (15 marks x 2)

3. When discussing a clinical case, explain the differences between ‘presenting complaints,’ ‘history’ and ‘complicating factors.’
4. ‘Depression can be incredibly isolating.’ Discuss this statement with examples from readings and films.

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5. 'Physical symptoms are often present in anxiety disorders.' Explain this statement with examples.
6. What are the common symptoms in schizophrenia? Use examples from the film "A Beautiful Mind" to discuss your answer.
