**ALLAMA IQBAL OPEN UNIVERSITY, ISLAMABAD**

**Faculty of Social Sciences**

**(Department of Sociology)**

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1. **PLAGIARISM OR HIRING OF GHOST WRITER(S) FOR SOLVING THE ASSIGNMENT(S) WILL DEBAR THE STUDENT FROM THE AWARD OF DEGREE/CERTIFICATE, IF FOUND AT ANY STAGE.**
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## Course: Sociology of Health (9613) Semester: Spring, 2025

## Level: PGD

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## Please read the following instructions for writing your assignments. (AD, BS, B. Ed, MA/MSc, MEd) (ODL Mode).

1. All questions are compulsory and carry equal marks but within a question the marks are distributed according to its requirements.

2. Read the question carefully and then answer it according to the requirements of the questions.

3. Avoid irrelevant discussion/information and reproducing from books, study guide or allied material.

4. Handwritten scanned assignments are not acceptable.

5. Upload your typed (in Word or PDF format) assignments on or before the due date.

6. Your own analysis and synthesis will be appreciated.

7. Late assignments can’t be uploaded at LMS.

8. The students who attempt their assignments in Urdu/Arabic may upload a scanned copy of their handwritten assignments (in PDF format) on University LMS. The size of the file should not exceed 5MB.

## Total Marks: 100 Pass Marks: 50

**ASSIGNMENT No. 1**

**(Units 1–4)**

Q.1 Define the sociology of health in your own words. Discuss in detail the impact of ethnicity and race on health outcomes. **(20)**

Q.2 Define functionalism regarding the issues of health and medical services. **(20)**

Q.3 Being a social scientist, how would you define the concept of “Health”? How does this definition differ from those of medical scientists? **(20)**

Q.4 Discuss in detail the contribution of medical sociology to health care. **(20)**

Q.5 Write a brief note on the relationship between socio-economic inequalities and health. **(20)**

**Total Marks: 100 Pass Marks: 50**

**ASSIGNMENT No. 2**

**(Units 5–9)**

Q.1 How the situation of health is different in high-income countries? Discuss.  **(20)**

Q.2 Discuss in detail the different dimensions of health phenomenon. **(20)**

Q.3 Discuss and critically evaluate the mental health facilities available in Pakistan.  **(20)**

Q.4 Elaborate different barriers to effective communication. Give examples from the health sector in Pakistan. **(20)**

Q.5 Discuss the relationship between health status and population growth. **(20)**