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**WARNING**

1. **PLAGIARISM OR HIRING OF GHOST WRITER(S) FOR SOLVING THE ASSIGNMENT(S) WILL DEBAR THE STUDENT FROM AWARD OF DEGREE/CERTIFICATE, IF FOUND AT ANY STAGE.**
2. **SUBMITTING ASSIGNMENT(S) BORROWED OR STOLEN FROM OTHER(S) AS ONE’S OWN WILL BE PENALIZED AS DEFINED IN “AIOU PLAGIARISM POLICY”.**

## **Course:** **Men and Masculinities (9171) Semester: Spring: 2025**

## **Level: BS (4 years)**

## **Please read the following instructions for writing your assignments.**

## **(AD, BS, BEd, 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 5MP.

**GUIDELINES FOR PREPARING OF ASSIGNMENTS:**

* The assignment is a take-home test; you are free to use materials from the internet, study guides, and other available OERs.
* Submit typed assignments into the LMS portal before the last date. If a reference to another research is quoted, it should be properly acknowledged.

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

**ASSIGNMENT No. 1**

## **(Units: 1-5)**

**Note: Attempt all questions. All questions carry equal marks.**

Q.1 Explain the concept of masculinities in detail. (20)

Q.2 Describe the various types of masculinities. How are these types relevant to the Pakistani context? Provide examples to support your discussion. (20)

Q.3 Critically evaluate the concept of patriarchy. (20)

Q.4 Discuss the connection between masculinities, institutions, and social practices in detail. (20)

Q.5 What challenges are encountered when addressing men’s roles in achieving gender equality? Discuss in detail. (20)

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

**Assignment No. 2**

**(Unit 6-9)**

Q.1 What impact does unemployment have on men’s lives? What social challenges do they face when unemployed? Support your answer with examples. (20)

Q.2 How are theories of masculinities shaped by gender theories, gender stereotypes, and socialization theories? Present your perspective with examples. (20)

Q.3 Explain in detail the feminist critiques of men’s representation in fairy tales. (20)

Q.4 Discuss the concept of harmful masculinities as explained by the World Health Organization. What are their consequences? (20)

Q.5 What is toxic masculinity? Discuss its connection to men’s overall health. (20)