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AAR 1105 – SOCIETY AND THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT I

Instructions

Time: 2 hours

Answer question One and any other two.

Illustrate your answers with sketches where appropriate.

Question 1

- a) Explain using illustrations what you understand by threshold. Show how this is related to degrees of privacy within the household. [10]
- b) State and explain whether the following are a form of society or community:
- i) A group of countries in the Oceania [3]
 - ii) School [3]
 - iii) Star-gazing enthusiasts [3]
 - iv) Family [3]
 - v) A group of individuals trained in a given profession. [3]
- c) Define and explain how the following terms are related to each other.
- i) Culture [4]
 - ii) Society [4]
 - iii) Community [4]
 - iv) Built Environment [4]

Question 2

Land tenure has dramatically changed the manner in which mankind perceives landownership. Discuss how this perception has affected the planning and designing of the built environment. [30]

Question 3

A family is a building block of any given community. Discuss in relationship to the built environment. Use your family or any otherwise residence you are familiar with to illustrate your answer. [30]

Question 4

What are the factors for settlements formation? List and explain five types of settlements. [30]

Question 5

The following terms and concepts that were encountered in the course. Define them. Use illustrations were possible.

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| a) courtyard | b) reservations |
| c) terrace | d) nucleated settlement |
| e) agglomerate | f) hearth |
| g) dare/idade | h) stoep |
| i) balcony | j) squatter |

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