



**UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND**

**SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER**

**PROGRAMME: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN  
AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS AND  
AGRIBUSINESS MANAGEMENT**

**COURSE CODE: AEM 302**

**TITLE OF PAPER: INTRODUCTION TO ECONOMETRICS**

**TIME ALLOWED: TWO HOURS**

**INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ALL FOUR (4) QUESTIONS**

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**QUESTION #1 [40 Marks]**

- a) Design an ANCOVA econometric model using any variables of your choice. [10 Marks]
- b) Define or explain your specified variables in part (a). [10 Marks]
- c) Design the hypothesis test. [10 Marks]
- d) Formulate the decision rule based on part (c). [10 Marks]

**QUESTION #2 [20 Marks]**

List and explain the anatomy of econometric modeling.

**QUESTION #3 [20 Marks]**

Define the following terms:

- a) Covariance [5 Marks]
- b) Exogenous variable [5 Marks]
- c) Standard deviation [5 Marks]
- d) Multicollinearity [5 Marks]

**QUESTION #4 [20 Marks]**

Consider the following model:  $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \mu_i$   
where  $X_1 = 0$  for the first 20 observations  
       $= 1$  for the remaining 30 observations

- a) How would you interpret  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$ ? [12 Marks]
- b) What is the expected value of  $y_i$ ? [8 Marks]

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