

**UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND**  
**DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**  
**SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION MAY 2016**

**TITLE OF COURSE:** PRINCIPLES OF MARKETING (BA 113/BUS 122)

**DEGREE AND YEAR:** BACHELOR OF COMMERCE FULL TIME YEAR 1  
BACHELOR OF COMMERCE IDE YEAR 2  
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION – COMMERCE YEAR 1

**TIME ALLOWED:** THREE (3) HOURS

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. TOTAL NUMER OF QUESTIONS ON THE PAPER IS 5
2. ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTION
3. MARKS AWARDED ARE INDICATED AT THE END OF EACH QUESTION
4. MARKS WILL BE AWARDED FOR GOOD COMMUNICATION IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND FOR ORDERLY PRESENTATION OF YOUR WORK

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:** NONE

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## **INSTRUCTIONS**

**ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS**

### **QUESTION 1**

- a. Define marketing. Briefly discuss the seven philosophies of marketing. (15)
- b. Define marketing research. Name and briefly describe the three functional roles of marketing research. (10)

**TOTAL: 25 MARKS**

### **QUESTION 2**

- a. Discuss the three methods that a marketer can use to classify products. (15)
- b. Identify the ten promotional message execution styles that a marketer can use, giving a practical example in each case. (10)

**TOTAL: 25 MARKS**

### **QUESTION 3**

- a. Explain the difference between the micro environment and the macro environment as they relate to marketing. Identify and briefly discuss seven macro environmental factors that affect a company's ability to serve its customers. (15)
- b. Define segmentation. Briefly discuss the four levels of segmentation. (10)

**TOTAL: 25 MARKS**

### **QUESTION 4**

- a. Define a distribution channel. Identify and briefly discuss the eight distribution channels that a marketing manager can use to distribute his products. (15)
- b. Briefly explain the five pricing approaches that can be used by a marketer in pricing his products. (10)

**TOTAL: 25 MARKS**

### **QUESTION 5**

- a. Define advertising indicating the major elements of advertising. Briefly discuss ten types of advertising giving an example in each case. (15)
- b. Define sales forecasting. Identify and discuss the major factors to consider in setting a sales forecast. (10)

**TOTAL: 25 MARKS**