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UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER

**PROGRAMMES : BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN
CONSUMER SCIENCE AND
CONSUMER SCIENCE EDUCATION
YEAR IV**

COURSE CODE : FRHD 403

**TITLE OF PAPER : CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN THE
FAMILY**

TIME ALLOWED : TWO (2) HOURS

**INSTRUCTIONS : ANSWER QUESTION ONE (1) AND
ANY OTHER TWO (2) QUESTIONS**

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QUESTION 1 (COMPULSORY)

Identify the topic of the mini study you conducted for the course “Contemporary Issues in the Family”.

- (a) Explain and justify why this is a “contemporary issue in the family”.
(10 Marks)
- (b) Briefly describe the purpose, objectives and methodology you used for the study, and the results.
(10 Marks)
- (c) If time and other resources were not a constraint, describe in detail the methodological approach you would use to conduct the study. Justify the approach.
(20 Marks)

[TOTAL MARKS =40]

QUESTION 2

The genesis of most contemporary family issues and their associated problems in society can be attributed to the changes that have occurred in the African family’s form and functions. Discuss this statement by comparing the traditional family and the modern African family in terms of form, function and ideology.

[TOTAL MARKS = 30]

QUESTION 3

“Case studies are in effect, a sampling method”. Define each the following types of case studies and discuss how you would use them to sample for a research study on “Blended families”

- (a) Typical case study (10 Marks)
(b) Heterogeneous case study (10 Marks)
(c) Critical case study (10 Marks)

[TOTAL MARKS =30]

QUESTION 4

Compare the Civil Rites marriage with the Swazi Customary marriage in terms of requirements, consequences and dissolution.

[TOTAL MARKS =30]