

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

FACULTY OF EDUCATION

FINAL EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER, MAY 2006

TITLE OF PAPER : CURRICULUM STUDIES - RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

COURSE CODE : PEC 272

TIME ALLOWED : THREE (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS : 1. ANSWER THREE (3) QUESTIONS.

2. FIVE (5) MARKS OF EACH ANSWER ARE AWARDED FOR GOOD LANGUAGE AND GENERAL ORGANIZATION OF YOUR ANSWERS.

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1. Assess four reasons that are often used to justify the inclusion of religious education in the school curriculum. [25 marks]
2. (a) In what ways can a school principal promote the teaching and learning of religious education. [15 marks]
(b) Assess qualities that a religious education teacher should have. [10 marks]
3. Identify and discuss common characteristics of three world religions that originated in the Middle East.
How do these three religions differ? Explain. [25 marks]
4. Identify and discuss four misconceptions concerning the teaching of religious education. [25 marks]
5. Critically evaluate three pros and three cons of the lecture method. [25 marks]