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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER July, 2013

TITLE OF PAPER:

HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION

COURSE CODE: EDF 300

DURATION OF PAPER: Three (3) hours

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer any four (4) questions

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Question 1

According to Dewey, the aim of education is the socializing of the individual. How can education fulfill this aim? [Total 25 marks]

Question 2

According to Rousseau a child does not become good or intelligent by having the habits or opinions of society imposed on him/her but instead, what the child does or knows should be the outcome of a personal reaction on life situations.

- (a) Discuss Rousseau's ideas about education according to the nature of the child and his rejection of ordinary instruction in the conventional classroom environment. (15 marks)
- (b) Explain the significance of Rousseau's ideas and the extent to which they are applied in modern education. (10 marks)

[Total 25 marks]

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Question 3

Discuss the Sophist's content and method of education. In your discussion explain the relevance of their ideas to modern education systems. [Total 25 marks]

Question 4

According to Murphy (2006:50) "if education is understood as the shaping of young life in terms of group ideal, this was very evident in early Rome".

Explain how the roles of the teacher and his/her methods have changed through history.

[Total 25 marks]

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Question 5

Discuss some of the conflicts and concerns over the Swazi education system since independence from the British in 1968. [Total 25 marks]

Question 6

Briefly discuss (a) which is compulsory.	
(a) The role of philosophy in educational or Social Science research	(7 marks)
Discuss any three (3) from the following items.	
(b) Swazi traditional education curriculum	(6 marks)
(c) The Age of modernity	(6 marks)
(d) Rights guaranteed through a University Charter	(6 marks)
(e) Martin Luther's five points on education	(6 marks)
(f) Education of the whole child	(6 marks)
[Tot	tal 25 marks]

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