UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND FACULTY OF EDUCATION



DEPARTMENT OF CURRICULUM & TEACHING

FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER, DECEMBER 2013

TITLE OF PAPER :

CURRICULUM STUDIES IN AFRICAN LANGUAGES

COURSE CODE

EDC 631

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STUDENTS

MASTER OF EDUCATION (PART TIME) YEAR II

TIME ALLOWED

THREE (3) HOURS

INSRUCTIONS

1. ANSWER QUESTION ONE (1) AND ANY OTHER TWO (2) QUESTIONS.

2. ALL ANSWERS MUST BE WRITTEN IN CONTINUOUS ESSAY FORM.

Question 1(This question is compulsory and must be answered by all candidates)

From your readings discuss what different scholars argue is the relationship between the use of African indigenous languages and national development in Sub-Saharan Africa. What are your own views especially looking at the specific case of Swaziland?

[40Marks]

Question 2

The siSwati language has never enjoyed the same kind of status as English both as a subject and as an official language. Discuss [30Marks]

Question 3

The Association for the Development of Education on Africa (ADEA)(2006) argues strongly for the use of the local/familiar language(additive bilingual model) as a medium of instruction from the point of view of both the teacher and the learner. Outline and discuss their arguments and state what your own views are in this debate [30Marks]

Question 4

- a) Chambou (1987) outlines some deficiencies that are common to the process of language planning in Sub-Saharan countries. Identify and discuss these, using the case of Swaziland to illustrate wherever appropriate. [20Marks]
- b) Which model of language planning does Chambou advocate for and why? [10 Marks]

Question 5

Corpus planning seems to continue even if there is a vacuum in status planning. Describe both status planning and corpus planning and examine the validity of the statement in relation to the status of language planning in Swaziland [30Marks]

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