UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

FACULTY OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY EDUCATION

FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER, MAY 2014

COURSE CODE :

PEC 372

TITLE OF PAPER:

CURRICULUM STUDIES: BIBLICAL STUDIES

TIME ALLOWED:

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS.
- 2. EACH QUESTION CARRIES TWENTY FIVE (25) MARKS.
- 3. INDICATE ON YOUR ANSWER BOOKLET WHETHER YOU ARE FULL TIME (F/T) OR NOT (IDE). APPEND THE INITIALS F.T OR I.D.E. TO YOUR I.D. NUMBER.

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QUESTION 1

(a) What are biblical studies?

(1 marks)

(b) Discuss four (4) reasons that are used to justify the inclusion of biblical studies in the school curriculum. (24 marks)

QUESTION 2

- (a) Discuss three (3) conservative approaches that are used to interpret the bible. (18 marks)
- (b) How could the problem identified above be solved?

(7 marks)

QUESTION 3

Explain as fully as possible how Christianity became the dominant religion in Africa, South of the Sahara. (25 marks)

QUESTION 4

It is often claimed that Swaziland is a Christian country.

Do you agree or disagree? Justify your answer.

(25 marks)

QUESTION 5

- a. How are biblical studies generally ranked in comparison to other subjects? (1 mark)
- b. Discuss some criteria that is used to determine the ranking of the subject. (24 marks)