UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

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DEPARTMENT OF JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION 2011/2012 FINAL EXAM QUESTION PAPER: SUPPLEMENTARY

TITLE OF PAPER: MEDIA LAW

COURSE CODE: JMC 311

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer THREE questions.

Spelling and grammar will count in grading.

Use your own examples to illustrate your answer(s).

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Question 1

Tom Crone identifies a number of principal ingredients of fair comment. Discuss these, supporting your answer with examples.

(20 Marks)

Question 2

Swazi Law and Custom, it is argued, stifles press freedom. Do you agree? Discuss, aiding your answer with examples.

(20 Marks)

Question 3

Discuss any four laws that have an impact on the print media in the country.

(20 Marks)

Question 4

There are a number of institutions and individuals who stifle press freedom in the country. Explain how they stifle press freedom, suggesting ways the media could rid itself of such challenges.

(20 Marks)

Question 5

Explain in detail sources of media law in the local context.

(20 Marks)

Question 6

- a) Discuss in detail the implications of the Electronic Records and Evidence act on users of social networks such as Facebook, Twitter and others. (10 Marks)
- b) Critically assess the impact of the Swaziland Communications Commission Bill of 2009 on the media in Swaziland. (10 Marks)