# University of Swaziland Faculty of Humanities & Institute of Distance Education Department of Theology & Religious Studies

# 2017/2018 Supplementary Examination Paper Second Semester July, 2018

Course code : TRS 201

Course title : Studies in the Old Testament II

Duration : Two (2) Hrs.

## Instructions

- a. Answer three (3) questions.
- b. Your answer to each question should be structured and consistently focused on the issue about which you are writing.
- c. Make sure you accurately label the questions that you have opted to answer.
- d. Indicate on the top cover of your answer script the name of your programme of study.

\*NB: All questions are worth 20 marks.

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# Question 1

Choose any one prophet amongst Amos, Hosea, Isaiah of Jerusalem and Jeremiah and analyse his denunciation of religious formalism.

# Question 2

Discuss how the two prophets of the exile, Ezekiel and Second Isaiah address the psychological state of the Jewish exiles through their prophetic oracles.

## **Question 3**

Give an explanatory background to Third Isaiah's accusations against the post-exilic priesthood of social and cultic abuses.

## Question 4

Explain the significance of the varied placement of the book of *Lamentations* within the Hebrew Bible and the Greek Septuagint.

#### **Question 5**

What is your view regarding the diversity of form, nature and context of application of Old Testament Wisdom?

## Question 6

Identify and explain the irresolvable hermeneutical issues that arise from reading the book of Daniel.