UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND FINAL EXAMINATION: MAY 2014 BASS IV

TITLE OF PAPER

LAND USE PLANNING

COURSE NUMBER

GEP 415

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TIME ALLOWED

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. ANSWER THREE (3) QUESTIONS

2. QUESTION ONE IS COMPULSORY

3. ILLUSTRATE YOUR ANSWERS WITH EXAMPLES AND LARGE CLEARLY DRAWN DIAGRAMS WHERE

APPROPRIATE.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

NONE

ALLOCATION OF MARKS:

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) IS WORTH 40 MARKS WHILE THE REST ARE WORTH 30 MARKS EACH.

THIS PAPER MUST NOT BE OPENED UNTIL PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED BY THE INVIGILATOR.

SECTION A

COMPULSORY

QUESTION 1

'von Thünen's Agricultural Land Use Theory contributed immensely to the theoretical aspects of land use planning and many land use plans exhibit vivid influences of the theory'

(a) Analyze the von Thünen's model of agricultural land use highlighting its key elements and principles.

(15 marks)

(b) Using a sketch diagram, explain how you would apply the model in the planning of a new rural settlement on Swazi Nation Land. (25 marks)

(40 marks)

SECTION B

ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION 2

- (a) Describe the land evaluation procedure by the FAO (1976) Framework for Land Evaluation. (15 marks)
- (b) Using examples, describe the structure of the Land Capability Classification (LCC) system. (15 marks)

(30 marks)

QUESTION 3

(a) Explain the significance of land tenure in land use planning. (10 marks)

(b) Discuss the key elements of land tenure systems highlighting their influence on land users' attitudes towards land management. (20 marks)

(30 marks)

QUESTION 4

Discuss the various planning levels in an integrated land use planning process and highlight the different planning activities taking place at each level. (30 marks)

QUESTION 5

Outline the land use planning process in Swaziland and highlight its strengths and weaknesses.

(30 marks)