

Faculty of Social Science
Department of Economics
Final Examination Paper, May 2015

Title of paper : **Development policies**

Course Code : **Econ 307**

Time allowed : **Three (3) hours**

Instructions : **1. Answer four (4) questions.**

2. All questions carry equal marks of twenty five (25) each.

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Question 1

- a) Describe briefly the arguments against foreign aid in Swaziland. (10 marks)
- b) Critically examine the major effects of brain-drain on the development of the Swazi economy. (15 marks)

Question 2

- a) Write short notes on rural poverty in Swaziland. (15 marks)
- b) Which policies do you believe are absolutely essential? (10 marks)

Question 3

- a) Is Swaziland so poor that some must continue to die from extreme poverty of hunger? (15 marks)
- b) Which policies do you believe are absolutely essential to alleviate poverty in Swaziland? (10 marks)

Question 5

It is often asserted that Swaziland's present educational system, especially post-secondary education, is unsuited to the real social and economic needs of development. Do you agree? Explain your answer. (25 marks)

Question 6

- a) Describe the principal functions of education. (15 marks)
- b) Development and education are mutually exclusive. Do you agree? Support your answer fully. (10 marks)