

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND
INSTITUTE OF DISTANCE EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF LAW
FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER, MAY 2009

TITLE OF PAPER : **CONSTITUTIONAL LAW**

COURSE CODE : **IDE-DL 021**

TIME ALLOWED : **THREE (3) HOURS**

INSTRUCTIONS :

- 1. THERE ARE SIX (6) QUESTIONS IN THIS PAPER EACH QUESTION CARRIES 25 MARKS**
- 2. ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS**

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QUESTION 1

Is the Tinkhundla system consonant with the notion of representative government? What are the main differences? [25 Marks]

QUESTION 2

(a) To what extent can the constitution of the Kingdom of Swaziland be said to be autochthonous? [10Marks]

(b) In whom is the executive authority of Swaziland vested? [15 Marks]
[25 Marks]

QUESTION 3

Apart from making laws Parliament performs a number of other functions. What are these functions? [25 Marks]

QUESTION 4

Discuss the constitutional role of Courts. [25 Marks]

QUESTION 5

(a) Define Constitutional Law [5 Marks]

(b) Discuss the six (6) main classes of constitutions as identified By Professor K.C. Wheare. [10 Marks]

(c) What is a state? Outline the characteristics of a state. [10 Marks]
[25 Marks]

QUESTION 6

Under the Constitution of the Kingdom of Swaziland 2005, what measures have been put in place to ensure that more women are either elected or appointed into Parliament? [25 Marks]