UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCE BACHELOR OF ARTS (SOCIAL SCIENCE), YEAR 4

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER: JULY 2012

TITLE OF PAPER:

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND GOVERNANCE

COURSE CODE:

PA 409

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

Extensively define 'corporate governance' and discuss the main duties of directors of companies.

Question 2

Corruption has been a persistent feature in the governance of most developing countries for many years. Define corruption and outline its causes, effects and possible solutions.

Question 3

Explain the following concepts in relation to participatory governance;

- 'opportunity' and the 'process' aspects of freedom
- 'allocative' and 'technical' efficiencies
- 'hidden information' and 'hidden action' problems

Question 4

Some scholars and practitioners of good governance have argued that there is a positive relationship between democratic governance and economic growth of a country while some have argued to the contrary. Briefly explore this debate and justify which viewpoint persuades you the most.

Question 5

The reform agenda has varied through the development decades but it has always been there. Discuss.

Question 6

Establish the positive and negative relationships between democracy and governance.

Question 7

Discuss the concept of bureaucratic bias in relation to bureaucracy and development.

Question 8

Some stakeholders have produced proposals for a new world governance that is fairer and more responsible. Discuss three (3) of these proposals in detail.