



# UNIVERSITY OF ESWATINI

FIRST SEMESTER MAIN EXAMINATION PAPER, APRIL 2021

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY AND SOCIAL WORK

COURSE CODE: SOC423

TITLE OF PAPER: SOCIAL CHANGE AND DEVELOPMENT

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

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**Instructions**

Answer any three questions.

**Special Requirements**

None

**Additional Material (s)**

None

*Candidates may complete the front cover of their answer book when instructed by the Chief Invigilator and sign their examination attendance cards but must **NOT** write anything else until the start of the examination period is announced.*

*No electronic devices capable of storing and retrieving text, including electronic dictionaries and any form of foreign material may be used while in the examination room.*

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**SOC423 MAIN EXAMINATION 2020/2021**

1. Refer to a specific working definition of social change from the literature and explain how it can be applied in empirical and theoretical studies of adaptation and transformation in society.
2. Discuss the extent to which traditional modes of social exchange have been replaced by consumption-related social and cultural practices in Eswatini.
3. Drawing on the ideas and concepts from Marxian political economy, discuss the social and economic consequences of digital technologies in contemporary society.
4. Provide a comparative analysis of re-educative and persuasive change strategies.
5. Identify and discuss the strengths and weaknesses of modernization theory in explaining global inequalities. Use examples to support your arguments.
6. Critically discuss the interdependency between the environment and economic development. Use empirical examples to support your answer.