

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND
FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER 2005

TITLE OF PAPER: SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEMOGRAPHY

COURSE CODE : DEM 402

TIME ALLOWED : TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS : THIS PAPER HAS FIVE QUESTIONS. ANSWER ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS.

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QUESTION 1 (8+8+4 marks)

Write short notes on the following issues:

- a. Human capital approach to migration;
- b. Economic development and international migration; and
- c. Intervening obstacles/opportunities and migration

QUESTION 2 (10+10 marks)

- a. "The birth of a child is a political event." Discuss.
- b. "A fertility decline is in essence part of a broader emancipation process." Discuss.

QUESTION 3 (5+5+5+5 marks)

Briefly describe the following population perspectives, and make sure to give illustrative examples:

- a. Ecological approach;
- b. Modernization approach;
- c. Institutional approach;
- d. Economic decision-making.

QUESTION 4 (10+10 marks)

- a. Briefly outline the HIV/AIDS situation in Swaziland.
- b. What are the major drivers of the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Swaziland?

QUESTION 5 (20 marks)

Critically discuss the Demographic Transition Theory and its relevance to less developed countries such as Swaziland.