

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND
DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS & DEMOGRAPHY
FINAL EXAMINATION, MAY-2008
BASS

TITLE OF PAPER: INTRODUCTION TO POPULATION DYNAMICS

COURSE CODE: DEM 201

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS
2. CHOOSE TWO QUESTIONS FROM EACH SECTIONS
3. WHERE APPROPRIATE, ILLUSTRATE YOUR ANSWER WITH DIAGRAMS AND EXAMPLES

MARKS ALLOCATION: ALL QUESTIONS CARRY 25 MARKS EACH

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: NONE

THIS QUESTION PAPER SHOULD NOT BE OPENED UNTIL PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED BY THE INVIGILATOR.

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Answer Any Two Questions from Section A

Section: A

Question: 1

Recent fertility and mortality trends in both developed and developing countries indicate that the Demographic Transition Theory has become outdated and useless as a predictive model. Discuss. **25 Marks**

Question: 2

How does marriage, the family, and religion influence fertility of societies in developing countries. **25 Marks**

Question: 3

Discuss fully the “Principle of Population” as propounded by Thomas Malthus and present a comprehensive critique of the theory. **25 Marks**

Section: B

Answer Any Two Questions from Section B

Question: 4

Using examples, discuss the trends, pattern and structure of urbanization in Africa. **25 Marks**

Question: 5

Using examples, explain Zelinsky’s Mobility Transition model. **25 Marks**

Question: 6

‘Rapid and unmanaged growth in sub-Saharan African cities has triggered a host of problems’. Discuss the validity of the statement. **25 Marks**