

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER 2009

**TITLE OF PAPER : DEMOGRAPHIC PERSPECTIVES ON SOCIAL
AND ECONOMIC ISSUES**

COURSE CODE : DEM 407

TIME ALLOWED : THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS : ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS.

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QUESTION 1 (20 marks)

Fully discuss the theory of cumulative causation of migration.

QUESTION 2 (20 marks)

"Fertility decline is in essence part of a broader emancipation process". Discuss fully, making special reference to fertility decline in developing countries.

QUESTION 3 (10+10 marks)

Describe any two of the following population perspectives:

- a. Economic decision-making;
- b. Psychological decision-making; and the
- c. Institutional approach.

QUESTION 4 (10+10 marks)

Critically discuss the following economic theories of fertility decline and comment on their applicability to Swaziland.

- a. Easterlin's hypothesis; and
- b. New Home Economics.

QUESTION 5 (20 marks)

Discuss the following mortality/health status differentials: gender, marital status, and social class.

QUESTION 6 (10+10 marks)

Write short notes on the following theories of migration:

- a. Beshers' typology on migration;
- b. Human capital theory on migration.