UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS AND DEMOGRAPHY FINAL EXAMINATION 2016

TITLE OF PAPER : DEMOGRAPHIC PERSPECTIVES ON SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ISSUES

COURSE CODE : DEM 407

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS : ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS.

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Question 1 [25 marks]

Discuss fully the International Labour Organisation (ILO) Multilateral Framework on labour migration. Briefly explain on its contemporary relevance to Southern African region.

Question 2 [25 marks]

Give an account of the view of Becker (1960) and Schultz (1973) as major proponents' on the neoclassical micro-economic theory of fertility. Is the theory of relevance in determining fertility choices?

Question 3 [25 marks]

Explain in detail in which aspects does having an ageing population constitute a challenge for Southern African countries, such as South Africa in particular?

Question 4 [25 marks]

In which respects does youth unemployment constitute a problem for African countries, such as Swaziland? Discuss.

Question 5 [25 marks]

Explain fully the factors that have influence on growth of and participation in rural non-farm sector employment for developing countries.

Question 6 [25 marks]

Describe briefly the hypothesis of mobility transition by Zelinsky (1971). Is this conceptual framework still applicable to contemporary developing countries? Discuss.