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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER JULY 2017

TITLE OF PAPER: SOCIAL WORK AND SPIRITUALITY
COURSE CODE: SWK 325
TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS
INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS
MARKS: 100

QUESTION PAPER MUST NOT BE OPENED UNTIL PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED

QUESTION 1

Discuss ways in which the client's past and present spiritual beliefs and group participation are helpful or harmful to self-esteem, coping, wellbeing, and to dealing with the presenting issue.

QUESTION 2

Examine critical issues in conducting spiritual assessments with social work clients.

QUESTION 3

Discuss the role of religion and spirituality in coping with stressful and difficult life events over time.

QUESTION 4

Canda (1999) states the following as dimensions of spirituality. Examine each with examples:

- a. Making personal meaning out of situations
- b. Coming to an understanding of self
- c. Appreciating the importance of connections to others

QUESTION 5

Explore events and circumstances that may threaten the strength and stability of spirituality in the elderly populations as stated by Ebersole & Hess (1998).

QUESTION 6

Discuss how a social worker can avoid indoctrinating and imposing on clients their spirituality and religion?