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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER

**PROGRAMME : BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN
CONSUMER SCIENCE EDUCATION
YEAR III**

COURSE CODE : COSE 302

**TITLE OF PAPER : CURRICULUM STUDIES IN HOME
ECONOMICS**

TIME ALLOWED : TWO (2) HOURS

**INSTRUCTIONS : ANSWER QUESTION ONE (1)
AND ANY OTHER (2) QUESTIONS**

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Question 1 (Compulsory)

- a) Curriculum viewed as product emphasizes all learning people need in order to work and live their lives. Identify any 4 of the 7 knowledge and skills of persons educated in Home Economics/Consumer Sciences. (12)
- b) Curriculum implementation is putting the formally prescribed course of study/syllabi into practice so as to facilitate the LEARNERS' acquisition of the required knowledge, skills, and attitudes needed for functioning in their societies. Identify what is needed for a curriculum to be implemented? (10)
- c) The praxis approach to curriculum theory and practice promises to produce emancipated persons who will practice reflection. Identify the questions that students are taught to ask themselves as they act and reflect on their problems. (10)
- d) A curriculum should help students acquire skills for learning how to solve their perennial practical problems. Define what is meant by:
- i) a problem,
 - ii) Perennial problem,
 - iii) Practical problem. (8)

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Question 2

- a) Identify and explain the principles that you would consider when preparing a teaching syllabus. (15)
- b) Practical reasoning is a technique that is used in solving practical problems. Describe the seven (7) characteristics of practical problems. (15)

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Question 3

- a) Describe the Dalton Plan as an approach that can be used to encourage self-education. (14)
- b) Evaluation is described as a process of delineating, obtaining and providing useful information for judging decision alternatives. Explain the underlined terms as used to determine whether purposes of a curriculum are being /have been attained? (16)

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Question 4

a) Define the following terms:

- i) Outcomes
- ii) Hidden Curriculum
- iii) Curriculum as Process
- iv) Curriculum as Praxis

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b) To be an educated person in Home Economics/Consumer Sciences (HE/COS) means a person is able to adapt to the changes in the environment, and not to those in specifics of a given job. Explain (18)

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