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COSE 301 (S)**

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER

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

COURSE CODE : COSE 301

**TITLE OF PAPER : PHILOSOPHY OF 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) In the definition of home economics “concern for man’s immediate environment” demands that practitioners consider three levels of environment. Identify and explain these environments. **[9 Marks]**
- b) The mission of home economics calls for persons educated in home economics to take action. Identify and explain the three (3) actions that are recommended by the mission. **[15 Marks]**
- c) Describe the following terms as used to understand the profession of home economics:
- i. Vision
 - ii. Values
 - iii. Mission
 - iv. Definition
- [16 Marks]**

[TOTAL MARKS = 40]

QUESTION 2

The mission of home economics requires that professionals think carefully about the actions they take in helping individuals and families to lead quality lives.

- a) What is meant by ‘thinking’ in this sense, what are the steps of reflective thinking? **[15 Marks]**
- b) In implementing a critical reflective approach to practicing home economics, what are professionals expected to do? **[15 Marks]**

[TOTAL MARKS = 30]

QUESTION 3

- a) Transforming leadership requires professionals to empower or raise the motivation of others. Identify and explain the three (3) of the four (4) critical dimensions of empowerment. **[15 Marks]**
- b) Explain why home economists have to heed the new directions that have been suggested for the profession of home economics. Cite three (3) reasons. **[15 Marks]**

[TOTAL MARKS = 30]

QUESTION 4

- a) Describe the following terms in relation to reflective practice:
- i. Sustainable development
 - ii. Quality of life
 - iii. Family as an ecosystem
- [15 Marks]**
- b) Home economist are said to be helping professionals. Identify and explain the three (3) helper positions that professional take in their everyday practice. **[15 Marks]**

[TOTAL MARKS = 30]