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UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER

PROGRAMME:

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HORTICULTURE

YEAR III

COURSE CODE:

HORT 305

TITLE OF PAPER:

HORTICULTURAL EXPERIMENTATION

TIME ALLOWED:

TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTION:

ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS

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Question 1

(a) Describe the objectives of a research.

[13 Marks]

(b) What would you consider as the characteristics of a good research?

[12 Marks]

[25 marks]

Question 2

Write a concise outline of research proposal for your final year research project.

[25 marks]

Question 3

Describe the general steps involved in field research experimentation.

[25 marks]

Question 4

(a) Explain how experimental error can be minimised in an experiment?

[15 Marks]

(b) What pitfalls must be avoided during literature review process?

[10 Marks]

[25 marks]

Question 5

In a field experiment conducted to compare the growth of three lettuce varieties in a randomized complete block design replicated four times. The following yield results were obtained (kg/plot)

Cultivar	Rep 1	Rep 2	Rep 3	Rep 4	
AWDOZ	12	13	14	15	
ELHUB	13	15	16	10	
ELHAMA	12	11	14	13	

(a) Sketch the complete ANOVA table for this experiment

[20 marks]

(b) Show the plot layout of the experiment

[5 Marks]

[25 marks]