## UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND FACULTY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF CURRICULUM AND TEACHING FINAL EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER, MAY 2009

TITLE OF PAPER

**CURRICULUM THEORY** 

**COURSE CODE** 

**EDC 110** 

**STUDENTS** 

BEd. I Primary, BEd. I Secondary, PGCE SINGLE

MAJOR

TIME ALLOWED

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

: 1. This examination paper has six (6) questions. Answer

any four (4) questions.

2. Each question has a total of 25 points

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- 1. The education system in Swaziland does not seem to adequately serve the needs of the Swazi people and those of society. Discuss this statement, citing specific example.

  [25]
- 2. Discuss the extent to which essentialism and progressivism have influenced the education and the curriculum in Swaziland. [25]
- 3. The Tyler model for curriculum development is objectives based. Explain.
  [25]
- 4. The following curriculum specialists, Bruner, Dewey, Kliebard, Lawton, Tanner and Tanner, and Kerr have criticised Tyler's model for curriculum development. Discuss the reasons given by each for their criticism [25]
- 5. External examinations have greatly influenced the education in system in Swaziland. Critically discuss this influence and its implications. [25]
- 6. Explain the significance of the following stakeholders in a needs assessment exercise: Parents, teachers, employers, students, recent graduates. [25]