UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

FACULTY OF EDUCATION

FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER MAY, 2009

TITLE OF PAPER

: TEACHER EDUCATION

COURSE NUMBER

: PEC 320

TIME ALLOWED

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. This paper consists of six questions. Answer any four of these.

- 2. Each question carries 25 marks
- 3. Credit will be given for clarity of thought
- 4. The entire examination carries a total of 100 marks which constitutes 50% of the final course grade.

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Instructions: Answer any four of the following questions. Each question carries 25 marks

Question 1

Discuss the place and importance of teacher education as a profession.

[25 marks]

Question 2

Examine the educational values of implementing a clinical supervisory model in schools. [25 marks]

Question 3

Conceptual organizers have grouped curriculum persons into three metaphorical camps, namely traditionalists, conceptual empiricicists and reconceptualists. Carefully explore the traditionalists' perceptions and highlight the strengths and weakness in the process.

[25 marks]

Question 4

Teacher growth can be ensured, in part, in effective schools. What five characteristics can you draw from effective schools, which have implications for teacher growth?

[25 marks]

Question 5

Compare and contrast traditional and emergent approaches in teacher performance appraisal in Swaziland. [25 marks]

Question 6

Discuss the relevance of John Dewey's approach to curriculum and instruction in Swaziland. [25 marks]