## UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

## **EXAMINATION, 2007/2008**

## MAIN

TITLE OF PAPER: INTRODUCTION TO CRITICAL THEORY

COURSE CODE: ENG. 204 / IDE-ENG. 204

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: 1. ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS. . EACH QUESTION CARRIES 30 MARKS. THE TOTAL MARKS FOR THE EXAMINATION = 60%.

- 2. DO NOT REPEAT MATERIAL OR WRITE ABOUT THE SAME TEXT AT LENGTH MORE THAN ONCE.
- 3. CANDIDATES ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BRING ANY READING MATERIAL INTO THE EXAMINATION ROOM.
- 4. CORRECT USAGE OF ENGLISH WILL BE REWARDED AND GRAMMATICAL AND SPELLING MISTAKES PENALIZED.

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- Philip Sidney and the Puritan Christians emerged as the Renaissance equivalent of the Greek Classical scholars, Aristotle and Plato. Do you agree? Buttress your arguments with convincing points.
- 2. Distinguish between Critical Theory and Literature. How are they related to one another?
- 3. With detailed reference to one or two texts, show how the concept of feminism has been expressed in Literature.
- 4. Examine the relationship between modern Psycho-analytic Criticism and Literature. Is the concept really necessary to the study of Literature?
- 5. Show the relationship between Literature and Marxism with close reference to at least two texts.
- 6. What are the similarities and differences between Russian Formalism and Anglo-American New Criticism?