UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND FACULTY OF HUMANITIES DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

First Semester Examination Paper, December 2018

TITLE OF PAPER:

INTRODUCTION TO THE HISTORY OF

COLONIAL LATIN AMERICA

COURSE CODE:

H321/ IDE H321

TIME ALLOWED:

Two (2) Hours

Instructions: Answer any two (2) Questions. All Questions carry equal marks.

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1. "The Aztec, Inca and Maya Empires were advanced, socially, economically and politically". Examine the validity of the above assertion.

(25 marks)

2. Explain how internal and external factors facilitated the conquest of Spanish Latin American Empires.

(25 marks)

3. Critically examine the view that the colonial administration of Latin America was a "trial and error" affair.

(25 marks)

4. How did race and class benefit one into distribution of political and economic power in colonial Latin America?

(25 marks)

5. "The Encomienda and Repartimiento systems were slavery in disguise". Critically examine the validity of the above statement.

(25 marks)