UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND INSTITUTE OF POST-GRADUATE STUDIES

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2018

COURSE TITLE:

INTRODUCTION TO THE HISTORIOGRAPHY OF

SOUTHERN AFRICA

COURSE CODE:

HIS 605

TIME ALLOWED:

THREE HOURS

INSTRUCTION:

ANSWER THREE QUESTIONS

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QUESTION 1

Critically analyze the contribution of any **one** of the following to the writing and interpretation of Southern African historiography:

- a). Hermann Giliomee;
- b). F. A. van Jaarsveld;
- c). P. J. van der Merwe;
- d). George MacCall Theal. [25 Marks]

QUESTION 2

Demonstrate how liberal historiography differed from earlier historiographical traditions in its interpretation and analysis of Southern African history. What role did sources play in the birth of this different interpretation? [25 Marks]

QUESTION 3

Examine the major concerns of radical historiography. What criticisms have historians in this tradition levelled against the liberal school of thought? [25 Marks]

QUESTION 4

Assess the contribution of the African Nationalist historiography to Southern African History. [25 Marks]

QUESTION 5

Analyze the sources used by historians in the colonial and African Nationalist historiographical traditions. Show how these sources have contributed to the difference in writing and interpretation. [25 Marks]