## UNIVERSITY OF ESWATINI FACULTY OF HUMANITIES DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

## First Semester Examinations, 2019/2020

Title of Course:

Research Methods

Course Code:

HIS601

Time Allowed:

3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Answer any THREE (3) questions

2. Write a question down in full, <u>and as given</u> (i.e. do not paraphrase), and, then, proceed to answer it.

- 1. Discuss, as fully as possible, primary purposes of academic research. Your answer should include discussion of the importance of following subjects in such research:
- a. Research Proposal b. Methods
- 2. Discuss the <u>nature of content</u> that should be included under the following headings in a Research Proposal:
- a. Statement of the Problem
- b. Literature Review
- c. Aims of Study

- c. Significance of the Study
- d. Methodology
- d. Objectives of Study
- 3. Discuss ways in which historical research differs from other research.
- 4. What major criticisms have been levelled at:
- (a) Liberal approaches to the study and writing of History
- b. Africanist interpretation of African History
- 5. What areas of the History of Eswatini have benefitted from the use of oral evidence? Explain how the areas you have identified have benefited.
- 6. Discuss differences between 'social history', on the one hand, and 'political history', on the other.