

COURSE CODE TRS401 (M) 2019

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

MAIN EXAMINATION PAPER 2019

THEOLOGY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES

B.A / B.ED IV / IDE

TITLE OF PAPER: RELIGIONS OF THE WORLD II

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TIME ALLOWED: TWO HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: 1. ANSWER ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS

2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS.

TOTAL MARKS : 60

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THE INVIGILATOR**

- 1 . Explain the historical, cultural and philosophical indebtedness of Buddhism to Hindu religious traditions. What features set Buddhism apart from Hinduism?
- 2 . Explain the significance of Confucian and Taoist teachings in Chinese society.
- 3 . What is meant by the term “Kami” in Shintoism? How does Shintoism compare with other living traditional religions that you have studied?
- 4 . What aspects of Islamic piety pose a threat to peaceful co-existence between Muslims and Christians in predominantly Christian societies? Describe and explain steps that can be taken to foster and promote mutual relations between Christians and Muslims in our day and age.
- 5 . Explain the distinctive theology of the Baha’i Faith. To what extent, in your view, is the theology of the Baha’i Faith relevant in contemporary southern African society?
- 6 . Describe and explain a model of interreligious dialogue that you consider suitable for the Kingdom of Eswatini.