UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

BACHELOR OF ARTS (SOCIAL SCIENCE) YEAR 2

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER: JUNE 2008

TITLE OF PAPER:

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION IN AFRICA

COURSE CODE:

PA 205

TIME ALLOWED:

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS

2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS OF

TWENTY FIVE (25) EACH

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QUESTION 1

What is localization? Using examples where applicable, discuss the objectives of this policy and explain what you consider to have been its successes and/or failures in the African countries with which you are familiar.

QUESTION 2

Why should African governments be concerned about the size, cost and sustainability of the civil service today? What, in your view, are the policy options available to governments seeking to create a civil service that is appropriate in size, affordable and sustainable with regard to cost?

QUESTION 3

Discuss the effects of corruption in African countries. Assess the strategies for combating corruption, drawing examples from selected African countries.

QUESTION 4

Why has the issue of good governance assumed special significance in more recent years in Africa? Comment on the initiatives that are underway to promote good governance in the African continent.

QUESTION 5

What do you understand by the term *colonial legacy?* Using appropriate examples, analyze this phenomenon with special reference to the Swaziland public service.

QUESTION 6

Critically assess the need for public service reforms in Swaziland.

QUESTION 7

Identify five principles associated with good governance and discuss them with reference to Swaziland

QUESTION 8

Assess the functions, powers and effectiveness of four oversight bodies in Swaziland and compare them with other similar bodies in the African countries you are familiar with.