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UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER

PROGRAMME:

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE

YEAR 4 (CROP PRODUCTION AND

HORTICULTURE OPTIONS)

COURSE CODE:

CP 406

TITLE OF PAPER:

CROP BREEDING

TIME ALLOWED:

TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

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QUESTION 1

What were Reverend Thomas Malthus postulations of 1798? Indicate whether his postulates were met or not. If they were not met give a detailed accounts of why they were not met.

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QUESTION 2

Wrte short notes on the contribution of the following scientists in our understanding of plant breeding concepts today.

- a) East
- b) Johannsen

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QUESTION 3

Discuss patterns and the influences that man played in crop evolution of cultivated plants species.

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QUESTION 4

Discuss the role played by plant introductions in crop improvement programs.

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