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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER, NOVEMBER 2017

TITLE OF PAPER: ECONOMY AND SOCIETY IN SOUTHERN AFRICA TO THE SOUTH  
AFRICAN WAR

COURSE CODE: H411/ IDE H411

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: 1. ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS.  
2. EACH QUESTION CARRIES FIFTY MARKS.

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1. Discuss the political and economic gender roles of women and men in pre- colonial Southern Africa.
2. "A slave- based economy". Discuss with reference to the importance of slave labour in South Africa's economy between 1652 and 1833.
3. Evaluate J. D. Omer- Cooper's and Julian Cobbing's (1980) explanation of the causes of Mfecane.
4. EITHER (a) "Geological factors were more important". Discuss the validity of this statement with reference to the concentration and capitalisation of capital in the diamond mining industry in South Africa between 1867 and 1900.  
  
OR (b) Discuss the relationship between the mining industry and the development of the railway system in South Africa up to 1900.
5. Analyse the external and internal factors that led to the outbreak of the South African War in 1899.

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