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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER, MAY, 2018

TITLE OF PAPER: GENDER AND SOCIETY IN AFRICA

COURSE CODE: HIS 638

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: 1. ANSWER ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS  
2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS

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1. Evaluate Manelisi Genge's (1999) presentation of the ways in which Swazi queens were positioned, and the ways in which they positioned themselves in society up to 1921.
2. Discuss the similarities and differences in the manner Elizabeth Schmidt (1992) and Jane Guyer (2005) conceptualise and present 'gender' in colonial peasant agriculture.
3. How does Hamilton Sipho Simelane (2004) build upon, and revise Teresa Barne's (2002) presentation of migrant African women?
4. EITHER (a) Analyse Karen Hansen's (1989) and Deborah Gaitskell's (2005) conceptualization and presentation of domesticity.

OR (b) Compare and contrast the ways in which Louise White (1990) and Teresa Barnes (2004) have portrayed African women's prostitution in urban settings.

5. Give a critical analysis of Susan Geiger's (1986) presentation of women's role in the Tanganyika African National Union (TANU).
6. In what ways does the concept of 'masculinity' contribute to our appreciation of gender history? Support your opinion with four scholars' views.

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