

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND
FINAL EXAMINATION: MAY 2007
BASS II.

TITLE OF PAPER : ECONOMIC AND URBAN GEOGRAPHY
COURSE NUMBER : GEP 229
TIME ALLOWED : THREE (3) HOURS
INSTRUCTIONS : 1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS (TWO) FROM
EACH SECTION)
2. ILLUSTRATE YOUR ANSWERS WITH
EXAMPLES AND LARGE CLEARLY
DRAWN DIAGRAMS WHERE
APPROPRIATE.

ALLOCATION OF MARKS : ALL QUESTIONS ARE WORTH 25 MARKS

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THE INVIGILATOR.

SECTION A
ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION 1

- (a) Account for the differences in land values in an urban place. (15 marks)
- (b) With the help of a sketch diagram, present a general land use pattern as influenced by the variability in land values in an urban place. (10 marks)
- (25 marks)**

QUESTION 2

Using examples, discuss the role of urban places in the socio - economic development of a country. (25 marks)

QUESTION 3

Compare and contrast Western urbanization and the urbanization process taking place in developing countries. (25 marks)

SECTION B
ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION 4

'In the post - apartheid period, industries have tended to pull out of Swaziland and relocate to South Africa while it is also proving to be difficult for the country to attract foreign investments'.

- (a) Explain the factors responsible for this state of affairs in Swaziland. (15 marks)
- (b) Suggest strategies that can be implemented to retain the industries. (10 marks)
- (25 marks)**

QUESTION 5

Explain the factors constraining human beings from utilizing some of the environmental elements. (25 marks)

QUESTION 6

- (a) Using examples, describe Rostow's model of economic development. (15 marks)
- (b) Explain the difficulties of placing some countries within the development continuum as presented by the Rostow's model. (10 marks)
- (25 marks)**