



# UNIVERSITY OF ESWATINI

FIRST SEMESTER SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER, JANUARY, 2020

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL STUDIES

COURSE CODE: PAD 303

TITLE OF PAPER: ADMINISTRATION OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

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Instructions:

1. This paper consists of Section A and B
2. Answer four (4) questions: Two (2) questions from Section A and another two (2) questions from Section B
3. All questions carry equal marks of 25 marks each.

Special Requirements:

None

Additional Material (s)

None

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## SECTION 1

1. Define rural development and how it differs from agricultural development. Give examples. **(50 Marks)**
2. Competitive markets, macroeconomic stability, and public investment in physical and social infrastructure are widely recognized as important requirements for sustained economic growth and reduced poverty. Discuss. **(50 Marks)**
3. The first requirement of a strategy to reduce rural poverty is to provide the enabling environment and resources for those in the rural sector who are engaged in the agricultural production and distribution system. What other policy components need to be incorporated into national strategies that are aimed at poverty reduction that should include government, the private (for-profit) sector, and civil society as actors in poverty reduction? **(50 Marks)**

## SECTION 2

4. Access to credit and land together with the provision of infrastructure are some of the key interventions that need to be put into place to empower women in the rural areas and for the reduction of poverty. Discuss. **(50 Marks)**
5. Make a comparative analysis of agrarian reform strategies undertaken by two countries of your choice in the Southern Africa region. **(50 Marks)**
6. The Rural Development Areas Programme (RDAP) and the Poverty Reduction Strategy and Action Plan have been very critical in the reduction of poverty in Swaziland. Discuss. **(50 Marks)**