## **UNIVERSITY OF ESWATINI**

# **DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY AND SOCIAL WORK**

## **FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER, MAY 2019**

TITLE OF PAPER

: ADVANCED THEORY AND

**METHODS IN SOCIOLOGY** 

**COURSE CODE** 

:

SOC413

TIME ALLOWED

THREE (3) HOURS

**INSTRUCTIONS** 

1.

**ANSWER ANY FOUR (4)** 

QUESTIONS.

2.

**ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL** 

**MARKS** 

**TOTAL MARKS** 

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100

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### **SOC413: ADVANCED THEORY AND METHODS IN SOCIOLOGY**

#### **SECTION A**

### Answer TWO questions from this section.

- 1. Define the term conceptual scheme, and examine the importance of conceptual schemes and systems of propositions in theory construction.
- 2. Citing relevant examples, discuss the major components of an integrated sociological paradigm.
- 3. Discuss the term heuristic model and evaluate the structure, scope, and focus of the fundamentalist version of Karl Marx's base-superstructure model.
- 4. Discuss critical theory's appraisal of society and systems of knowledge with specific reference to its critique of modern society and positivism.

#### **SECTION B**

### Answer TWO questions from this section.

- 5. Compare and contrast the data analysis procedures used in quantitative and qualitative research.
- 6. Define the term operationalization, and examine quantitative conceptualization and operationalization in social research.
- 7. Critically discuss the canons and procedures of grounded theory research.

  Use examples to support your viewpoints.
- 8. Discuss the ethical concerns in social scientific research with regard to treatment of participants and responsibility to society.