



**SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
BACHELOR OF DEVELOPMENT STUDIES AND PHILOSOPHY
END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION
BDP 4204: COMPARATIVE REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

DATE: 12th March 2025

Time: 11:00_13:00

Instructions

1. This examination consists of **FIVE** questions.
2. Answer **Question ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions.

Question One

- a) Explain the following measures of economic development.
 - i. Gross Domestic Product (4 marks)
 - ii. Gross National Income/Capita (6 marks)
 - iii. Human Development Index (8 marks)

- b) Briefly discuss six theorised determinants of economic growth and development (12 Marks)

Question Two

Under the concept of natural resource curse, elaborate three mechanisms relating natural resource reliance to slow economic growth and development outcomes (15 Marks)

Question Three

Discuss the impact of transnational corporations on economic development in light of the three theoretical positions of influence of transnationals on economic development (15 Marks)

Question Four

Discuss three aspects of effectiveness of Aid on the economic development of African recipient countries (15 Marks)

Question Five

International financial institutions have been criticized for their ineffectiveness in addressing development challenges in Low- and Middle-income countries. Discuss three priority areas of improvement required for improved performance by the financial institutions (15 Marks)