

JANUARY 2019 SUPPLEMENTARY EXAM

SUBJECT

CONTEMPORARY FOCI IN DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

CODE

DEV8X04

DATE

JANUARY 2019

DURATION

3 hours

TOTAL MARKS

100

EXAMINER

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NUMBER OF PAGES

3

INSTRUCTIONS

Choose any five (5) of the questions below. Your short answer should:

- a) define the concept, referring to specific authors;
- b) explain why it is important, particularly its relevance to development studies; and
- c) provide an example that illustrates the concept (where possible).

You should spend about 10-15 minutes on each question, and write up to one page on each question.

SECTION A: SHORT ANSWER

Question 1

Name and describe three ways of defining "development".

[5]

Question 2

Briefly outline five main principles of alternative development.

[5]

Question 3

Define good governance and how its definition has changed since its early use.

[5]

Question 4

Briefly define structure and agency and describe how each concept applies to socioeconomic development. [5]

Question 5

Briefly define invited and invented spaces and discuss their limitations and opportunities. [5]

Question 6

Define patronage. How is it arguably different than corruption? [5]

Question 7

Define and discuss the issue of "invisibility" in development. [5]

Question 8

Define the 4IR (the fourth industrial revolution). Discuss why it may NOT benefit poor people.

Total Section A [25 marks].

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer the following essay question. Make sure that your essay is well structured (include an overview of the issue and state your overall argument in the introduction, three points that support your introduction, and a conclusion) and refers to the readings covered in the course. You can provide examples to support your argument if you wish. There is no correct answer; what matters is that your answer is well-presented and argued and that its parts are consistent.

You should spend 10 minutes outlining your essay plans and about one and a half hours writing your essay. Your essay should be 6-7 pages.

SECTION B: ESSAY

How does power promote or constrain development, defined as "good change" that also promotes structural transformation. Reflect on how power is asserted by different actors and at different levels in the following areas:

- a) Global and national actors: the promotion and practice of democracy and good governance. (prompt: Do they create a positive framework or impose Western ideas that inhibit development?)
- b) Civil society: loyalty, participation and protest. (prompt: Is it possible to find a way to initiate change or are we stuck in a historical period with certain political system?)
- c) National and local state: invisibility and corruption (prompt: Is it possible to overcome these factors or are they set to undermine good efforts being made?)

 Total Section B [75 marks]