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SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS BACHELOR OF AGRIBUSINESS MANAGEMENT

COURSE CODE: AGB 1205

COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO

DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS

DATE: 23RD APRIL 2018 TIME: 1100 – 1300HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other THREE questions

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QUESTION ONE

- (a) Compare and contrast balanced and unbalanced theories of economic development. (10 Marks)
- (b) Explain the concept of leading sectors in economic development.

(5 Marks)

(c) What are the shortcomings of Ricardian theory of Development.

(5 Marks)

(d) What are the fundamental conditions of economic progress as outlined in Keynesian theory of development.

(5 Marks)

QUESTION TWO

Using the two sector model framework, explain the role of agriculture in economic development. (15 Marks)

QUESTION THREE

- (a) What is the rationale for planning in developing economies? (5 Marks)
- (b) What are the basic characteristics of comprehensive planning that are common to developing countries? (5 Marks)
- (c) Explain five reasons for plan failures in developing countries.

(5Marks)

QUESTION FOUR

Explain any five factors responsible for differences in economic growth and development between developed and developing countries.

(15 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE

Explain the meaning of the following in economic development:

- i) Traditional Economics
- ii) Political economy
- iii) Development Economics
- iv) Core values of Development
- v) Objectives of development.

(15 Marks)