Tutorial Letter 101/3/2021

Introduction to Development Studies **DVA1501**

Semesters 1 and 2

Department of Development Studies

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

This tutorial letter contains important information about your module.

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1 INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the department of Development Studies. We trust that you will enjoy studying with us and that your relationship with this department will be a lasting one.

Tutorial matter

The study material you should receive (from Unisa) for the module DVA1501 consists of the following:

- a study guide
- Tutorial Letters 101 (DVA1501/3/101)

Some of this tutorial matter may not be available when you register. Tutorial matter that is unavailable when you register will be posted to you as soon as possible – however, it is also available on myUnisa. You will not receive any other printed study material. Follow-up tutorial letters will be posted on myUnisa.

2 PURPOSE AND OUTCOMES

2.1 Purpose

The purpose of this module is to equip you with insight into basic concepts in the study of development.

2.2 Outcomes

After completing this module, you should be able to:

- understand key concepts related to debates on development in developing countries (countries of the Global South)
- define "sustainable development" and discuss factors that could influence it
- explain the meaning of "basic needs" and discuss their link to development
- discuss the link between human rights, justice and development
- discuss the scale and causes of poverty and inequality in developing countries (countries of the Global South)

3 LECTURER(S) AND CONTACT DETAILS

3.1 Lecturer(s)

Should you wish to contact the lecturers who teach this module, you can contact the departmental administrators, who will then connect you with the relevant lecturers. Your lecturers' contact details are also available on the **Welcome** page on myUnisa.

3.2 Department

Our departmental contact details are as follows:

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Tel: 012 429 6813/4035 Email: devstu@unisa.ac.za

Departmental webpage: http://www.unisa.ac.za/devstudies

3.3 University

If you need to contact the university about matters not related to the content of this module, please consult the brochure, entitled *Study* @ *Unisa*, which you will find on Unisa's website. This brochure contains information on how to contact the university. You can also send your enquiries directly to the following addresses:

❖ Unisa website : http://www.unisa.ac.za

❖ Assignments : <u>assign@unisa.ac.za</u>

❖ Study material : despatch@unisa.ac.za

Examinations (general enquiries) : <u>exams@unisa.ac.za</u>

❖ Rewrites : <u>aegrotats@unisa.ac.za</u>

❖ Re-marking : remark@unisa.ac.za

❖ Viewing examination scripts : <u>scripts@unisa.ac.za</u>

❖ Student accounts : finan@unisa.ac.za

❖ Applications & registrations : <u>study-info@unisa.ac.za</u>

♦ myUnisa : myUnisaHelp@unisa.ac.za

Always have your student number at hand when you contact the university.

4 RESOURCES

4.1 Prescribed book(s)

There are no prescribed books for this module.

4.2 Recommended book(s)

There are no recommended books for this module.

4.3 Electronic reserves (e-reserves)

The following electronic reserves are assigned to this module:

Kabonga, I	2017	Dependency theory and donor did: a critical analysis	African Journal of Development Studies: pp 1-11
Reddy, K	2011	Developing Africa: trade barriers, liberalization and inequality in the World Trade Organisation	African Journal of Business Management, Vol 5 (22): pp 8686-8696
UNDP	2018	Human development indices and indicators: 2018 statistical update	UNDP: pp 1-8
Mazibuko, S	2013	Understanding underdevelopment through the sustainable livelihoods approach	The Journal of Development Studies, Vol 44: pp 173-187

E-reserves can be downloaded from the Library catalogue. More information is available at: https://libquides.unisa.ac.za/request/request

To access these e-reserves, go to http://www.unisa.ac.za/sites/corporate/default/Library and then click on the link "Find e-reserves & recommended books", which can be found at the bottom of the page. You will then be directed to a new page, which requests a module code. You must enter DVA1501 in the space provided and click on "Submit". You will then be able to access all the links to the e-reserves assigned to this module.

4.4 Library services and resources

The Unisa Library offers a range of information services and resources:

- For detailed library information, go to https://unisa.ac.za/library
- For research support and services (e.g. personal librarians and literature search services), go to https://www.unisa.ac.za/sites/corporate/default/Library/Library-services/Research-support

The Library has created numerous library guides: https://libguides.unisa.ac.za

Recommended guides:

- Request and download recommended material: https://libquides.unisa.ac.za/request
- Postgraduate information services: https://libguides.unisa.ac.za/request/postgrad
- Finding and using library resources and tools: https://libguides.unisa.ac.za/research-support
- Frequently asked questions about the library: https://libguides.unisa.ac.za/ask
- Services to students living with disabilities: <u>https://libguides.unisa.ac.za/disability</u>
- Assistance with technical problems accessing the Unisa Library or resources: https://libguides.unisa.ac.za/techsupport

You may also send an email to <u>Lib-help@unisa.ac.za</u> (please add your student number in the subject line).

5 STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

The *Study* @ *Unisa* brochure is available on myUnisa: www.unisa.ac.za/brochures/studies
This website has all the tips and information that you need to succeed at Unisa.

myLife student email account

It is of the utmost importance that you claim your myLife student email account, since you will receive important communication about the module by email. To do this, log onto https://my.unisa.ac.za/portal.

myUnisa

Once you have claimed your myLife student email account, you will be able to log onto myUnisa.

myUnisa is very useful, because you can:

- download electronic copies of your tutorial letters and study guide.
- communicate with lecturers and fellow-students in the Discussion Forums.
- receive reminders of assignment due dates.
- receive reminders of your examination dates.
- be linked to an e-tutor.
- submit your assignments online.
- be alerted to any important information.

E-tutors

This module has e-tutors. Log on to myUnisa to identify your tutor and tutor group. For information on the other student support systems and services available at Unisa (e.g. student counselling, tutorial classes and language support), consult *Study* @ *Unisa*.

6 STUDY PLAN

Consult Study @ Unisa for general time management and planning skills.

7 PRACTICAL WORK

There is no practical work for this module.

8 ASSESSMENT

8.1 Assessment criteria

Specific outcome	Assessment criteria
Explain current development problems and challenges experienced in the Global South.	 Reviews current problems of development against arguments in prescribed tutorial material at a basic level. Analyses basic views on current development problems and develops a burgeoning ability to weigh up different views. Presents a discussion of current problems of development linking the impact of capital, globalisation, international institutions, debt and aid to own interpretations of the context in the Global South, Africa and South Africa. Citations are formatted accurately, and no evidence of plagiarism is noted.
Explain the impact that institutional systems (such as health-care systems, educational systems and global systems) have on development in the Global South.	 Reflects and reports on the impact that institutional systems have on development against arguments in prescribed tutorial material. Identifies and presents views on the impact of institutional systems' on development. Explains the impact of institutional systems on development coherently by citing from different sources of information. Citations are formatted accurately, and no evidence of plagiarism is noted.

Specific outcome	Assessment criteria
Evaluate a given range of case studies reflecting real-world development problems.	 Analyses and evaluates case studies reflecting realworld development problems against arguments in prescribed tutorial material at a basic level. Displays the ability to weigh up different views on a given range of case studies in familiar contexts pertaining to the Global South. Proposes and sensitively communicates viable correctives and/or alternatives based on sound developmental principles and practices. Citations are formatted accurately, and no evidence of plagiarism is noted.
Explain the basic linkage between development, education, culture, health care, empowerment and global agendas.	 Reflects and reports on problems related to education, culture, health care, empowerment and global agendas in an integrated manner and against arguments in prescribed tutorial material. Identifies and presents integrated views of the interconnectedness of problems related to education, culture, healthcare, empowerment and global agendas. Citations are formatted accurately, and no evidence of plagiarism is noted.
Propose basic solutions to development problems facing the Global South.	 Proposes basic solutions to development problems in the context of the Global South, Africa and South Africa against arguments in prescribed tutorial material. Explains basic solutions and challenges to development problems from various vantage points. Explains proposed solutions to development problems by demonstrating the ability to advance basic arguments and to write in one's own voice. Citations are formatted accurately, and no evidence of plagiarism is noted.

8.2 Assessment plan

The Department of Development Studies uses two forms of assessment, namely:

- assignments as a form of formative assessment
- examinations as a form of summative assessment

8.3 Assignment numbers

8.3.1 General assignment numbers

Assignments are numbered consecutively in each semester for each module, starting from 01.

8.3.2 Unique assignment numbers

Semester 1	Unique assignment number
Assignment 01 (MCQs)	569177
Assignment 02	836542
Assignment 03	876438
Assignment 04	820087
Assignment 05	883563
Assignment 06	827569
Semester 2	Unique assignment number
Semester 2 Assignment 01 (MCQs)	Unique assignment number 775626
Assignment 01 (MCQs)	775626
Assignment 01 (MCQs) Assignment 02	775626 638039
Assignment 01 (MCQs) Assignment 02 Assignment 03	775626 638039 632775

8.4 Assignment due dates

Each assignment has a due (closing) date. Check the dates carefully and ensure your assignments are submitted on time. **(Note:** For each semester, you need to submit Assignment 01 plus **ONE** of the other assignments listed.)

Semester 1	Due date
Assignment 01 (MCQs)	08 March 2021
Assignment 02	15 March 2021
Assignment 03	15 March 2021
Assignment 04	15 March 2021
Assignment 05	15 March 2021
Assignment 06	15 March 2021
Semester 2	Due date
Assignment 01 (MCQs)	03 September 2021
Assignment 02	13 September 2021
Assignment 03	13 September 2021

Assignment 04	13 September 2021	
Assignment 05	13 September 2021	
Assignment 06	13 September 2021	

8.5 Submission of assignments

You must submit assignments electronically via myUnisa. You may **NOT** submit assignments by fax or email. For detailed information on and requirements for assignments, consult *Study @ Unisa*.

You need to submit **TWO compulsory assignments** for this module.

The <u>FIRST</u> compulsory assignment (Assignment 01) consists of <u>multiple-choice</u> <u>questions</u> (MCQs). This assignment is compulsory, as it gives you admission to the examination. You will **NOT** be allowed to write your examination if you did not submit Assignment 01. This assignment contributes 50% towards your year mark.

The <u>SECOND</u> compulsory assignment (Assignment 02/03/04/05/06) consists of essaytype questions. This assignment contributes the other 50% towards your year mark. (Note: You must choose ONE option from Assignments 02 to 06 to answer and submit.)

- It is compulsory for you to submit ONE essay-type assignment, a maximum of ONE will be allowed.
- The essay-type assignment contributes **50%** towards your year mark.
- Therefore: The marks for the MCQs in Assignment 01 and for your essay-type assignment will be used to calculate your year mark (MCQs 50% + essay 50% = year mark). This mark will then be calculated out of 20% and will contribute to your final mark.
- Your examination will count 80% towards your final mark.
- Therefore: **20%** (year mark = MCQs [Assignment 01] + essay [Assignment 02 or 03/04/05/06]) + **80%** [examination] = **final mark**.

8.6 The assignments

We strongly recommend that you submit all your assignments electronically via myUnisa in portable document format (PDF).

Assignment 01 comprises multiple-choice questions (MCQs). Assignments 02–06 comprise essay-type questions. Please note the due dates for the submission of these assignments.

You can submit assignments electronically via myUnisa by following these instructions:

- Go to myUnisa.
- Log in with your student number and password.
- Select the module from the orange bar.

- Click on "Assignments" in the menu on the left.
- Click on the assignment number you want to submit.
- Follow the instructions.

How to do Assignment 01: multiple-choice questions (MCQs)

The answers to the MCQs must be entered on a mark-reading sheet onscreen via myUnisa. Acquaint yourself with the guidelines available in *Study* @ *Unisa* on how to fill in a mark-reading sheet. Remember to fill in the unique number for the appropriate semester and the appropriate assignment number on your mark-reading sheet. An incorrect number will result in your assignment being misplaced.

To complete the MCQs, you need to understand the information in the study guide for DVA1501 and Tutorial Letter DVAALLD/301(which is available on the module site on myUnisa).

How to do Assignments 02-06: essay-type questions

Please note the following important information about essay writing at university:

A prospective employer regards a graduate as someone who can deliver professionally written reports, articles and essays that conform to industry standards and international techniques. Tutorial Letter DVAALLD/301 will give you a full description of how to write such an essay. So, we simply reiterate some important points to help you understand what we expect from you with regard to assignment writing.

We expect you to include the following in the order indicated below:

- A title page with the module code, module name, the semester number, the number of the assignment, the unique number of the assignment, the title of the assignment and your student number.
- A table of contents this is a summary of the structure of your essay, indicating headings, subheadings and on which page each item appears.
- An *introduction*, which is the part of the essay where you briefly outline your answer and what a reader may expect from the rest of the essay. A good introduction sets the tone and creates a good first impression.
- Next comes the body of your essay. This is where you discuss your assignment under appropriate headings and subheadings. The body of a Development Studies essay usually consists of approximately three to five pages (if you submit a typed essay, please allow for 1.5 - line spacing and preferably use Arial or Times New Roman, 12- point font size).
- You must end your essay with an appropriate *conclusion*. This is where you give a brief summary of what you said in the body of your essay. The conclusion is not the place to give new definitions or information.

• Lastly, you must include a *list of references*. The list contains all the sources you have used in your essay. It is important that you include every source that you have consulted.

Referencing

The Department of Development Studies uses the Harvard Style of referencing.

Each time you use information, ideas, figures and other information that someone else has produced, you need to provide a reference for that source. Not acknowledging the source of your information is a form of plagiarism – an act that is tantamount to stealing. Therefore, you always need to follow responsible academic practice by referencing clearly and correctly.

There are several ways in which sources are cited in your essay:

- In-text referencing this is when you name the author as part of the sentence:
 - Example: Smith (2016:19) states that ...
 - Explanation: Surname (date: page number).
- Normal referencing this is when you base a statement (e.g. to prove an idea) on the
 work of another author. This is different from a direct quotation as you are using your
 own words.
 - Example: Monsoon rainfall has been linked to outbreaks of cholera (Bates 2017: 89–99).
 - Explanation: Information in your own words (Surname, date: page number[s]).
- **Direct quotations** this is when you use the exact words of another author. Always use quotation marks and do not quote excessively.
 - Example: "The rain in Spain falls mainly in the lowlands" (Pickering 2016: 9).
 - Explanation: Open quotation marks (either double or single, but be consistent), give the author's exact words, then close the quotation marks (Surname, date: page number[s]).

You **must** include a list of references at the end of your essay where you acknowledge each source in full. The university prefers the **Harvard style of referencing** – a style guide is freely available online, but that is also explained in Tutorial Letter DVAALLD/301.

A reference should appear as follows:

Ndlovu, S, Ndlovu, M, Makhubedu, K, Sentime, K, Maphosa, B, Mazibuko, S, Du Plessis, GE & Zulu, NZ. 2017. *Introduction to Development Studies: only study guide for DVA1501.* Pretoria: University of South Africa.

Explanation: Surname, Initial(s). Date of publication. Name of publication (italicised). Where it was published: Publisher.

NB: The first time that you refer to the study guide, you should list all the authors; thereafter, you must use "et al" after the first author's surname. "Et al" means "and others" and therefore takes a plural verb.

Note: There are additional rules for internet or non-text-based sources. Please see Tutorial Letter DVAALLD/301 for more information in this regard.

Why is referencing important?

Imagine that you find the following sentence on page 90 of the study guide: "Inequality and poverty may sound the same, but they are not. Inequality may lead to poverty and poverty may lead to inequality: at the same time, while inequality can be tolerated, poverty is intolerable inequality."

You believe that this is a great sentence and that nothing could prove your argument better. Therefore, you copy it word for word into your essay without including quotation marks, a reference or any other appropriate form of acknowledgement. This is known as plagiarism – you are actually pretending that you have thought of this idea on your own. Plagiarism is a serious offence at university. If we detect plagiarism in your work, we will deduct the following percentages from your assignment:

- first-year students up to 10%.
- second and third-year students up to 20%.
- honours students up to 100%.

A low year mark can affect your chances of passing the module. You can avoid this, in part, by using proper referencing. Please take note that although students may work together when preparing assignments, we expect each student to write and submit his or her own individual assignment. In other words, you must submit your own ideas in your own words. Failing to do so amounts to plagiarism which will result in your being penalised or subjected to disciplinary proceedings by the university.

In the addendum to this tutorial letter, you will find a checklist. You need to complete a checklist for your essay-type assignment. Read the checklist carefully. If there is anything on the checklist that you have NOT done, you must do it before you can check it off in the relevant column.

Read your assignment for spelling and grammar mistakes before you submit it. Glaring mistakes and poor sentence construction create a bad impression. Remember, as this is a distance learning institution, your work might well be the only contact you have with your lecturers – thus, your writing represents you. Also, remember that the first draft of every piece of writing is usually bad, so plan your time properly so that you have enough time to produce at least a second draft.

Feedback on assignments

You will automatically receive the correct answers to the multiple-choice questions. For essay-type assignments, the markers will comment comprehensively and constructively on your work.

However, feedback on the essay-type assignments will also be available in the form of tutorial letters that can be accessed on myUnisa. These tutorial letters will be numbered **201 & 202**.

Please check your answers as soon as you have received feedback. The assignments and feedback on these assignments constitute an important part of your learning and should help you to be better prepared for the examination.

SEMESTER 1 ASSIGNMENTS

SEMESTER 1 ASSIGNMENT 01 MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS (MCQs)

Assignment	Semester	Due date	Unique assignment number
Assignment 01: Compulsory	Semester 1	08 March 2021	569177

Assignment 01 consists of 25 MCQs, which must be submitted on a mark-reading sheet.

To complete the MCQs you need to read and understand the **study guide for the module DVA1501** and **Tutorial Letter DVAALLD/301**.

MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS (Semester 1)

- 1. To gain access to the DVA1501 module site on myUnisa, you will need to ...
 - 1. have a Gmail account.
 - 2. receive your study material.
 - 3. claim a myLife email account.
 - 4. have access to a private email account.
- 2. In the body of your essay, the correct way to refer to a book by P McMichael, entitled *Development and social change: a global perspective*, published in 2012, is ...
 - 1. McMichael, P. 2012. Development and social change: a global perspective.
 - 2. Development and social change: a global perspective 2012.
 - 3. P McMichael 2012.
 - 4. McMichael (2012).
- 3. In an essay, the introduction is composed of ...
 - 1. a summary of your framework.

- 2. comprehensive details of the essay.
- 3. all the necessary proof and examples.
- 4. a summary of the main arguments.

4. Which of the following sentences would <u>best</u> describe an act of plagiarism?

- 1. Plagiarism is when I copy from fellow students.
- 2. Plagiarism is when I use the ideas of others and provide a reference for the source.
- 3. Plagiarism is when I provide a reference for a quotation, or paraphrase from my reading materials.
- 4. Plagiarism is when I use words, ideas and thoughts of others without providing a reference.

5. Which of the following options is the correct way to list a source in the reference list, using the Harvard system?

- 1. Seekings, Jeremy, and Nicoli Nattrass. *Class, race, and inequality in South Africa*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 2008.
- 2. Seekings, J & Nattrass, N. 2008. *Class, race, and inequality in South Africa*. New Haven: Yale University Press.
- 3. Seekings, J and Nicoli, N. *Class, race, and inequality in South Africa*. Yale University Press, 2008. New Haven.
- 4. Class, race, and inequality in South Africa. 2008. Seekings, Jeremy, and Nicoli Nattrass. Yale University Press: New Haven.

6. The module "Introduction to Development Studies" helps you understand that ...

- 1. the concept of "development" is clear-cut and straightforward.
- 2. development is all about economic growth and modernisation.
- 3. development should be sustainable.
- 4. poverty is more acceptable than inequality.

7. Ecology is best defined as the ...

- 1. natural resources that cannot be re-made or re-grown on a scale comparable to their consumption.
- 2. process suggested to improve the quality of life within the limitations of the global environment.
- 3. study of the interaction between the biotic and abiotic components of the environment.
- 4. maximum number of individuals that a given environment can support indefinitely without detrimental effects on the natural environment.

8. A community that has no access to basic needs is regarded as ...

1. marginalised.

- 2. semi-developed.
- 3. poverty-stricken.
- 4. rural.

9. The discourse of development in study unit 4 is understood to mean liberation from ...

- 1. underdevelopment, injustice, poverty, and violation of rights.
- 2. underdevelopment, injustice, and inequality.
- 3. underdevelopment, inequality, and human trafficking.
- 4. underdevelopment, inequality, sustainable development, and poverty.

10. Globalisation contributes to poverty and inequality in developing countries because it has ...

- 1. opened up markets to the world, leading to the fall of domestic markets and higher unemployment levels.
- 2. advocated for the IMF conditions attached to development aid.
- 3. led to increased political instability.
- 4. contributed to poor governance due to a lack of economic growth.

11. Which approach to development criticises modernisation and makes the claim that rich nations exploit poorer nations in a core periphery relationship?

- 1. Development as human well-being
- 2. Sustainable development
- 3. Development as economic growth
- 4. Dependency theory

12. Which approach holds that the money generated from business and the market will fund research and innovation to overcome the problems associated with the over-exploitation of limited resources?

- 1. Accommodation
- 2. Communalism in ecology
- 3. Ecocentric
- 4. Interventionist

13. According to the study guide, basic needs will continue to be scarce in the future because of ...

- 1. poor service delivery.
- 2. political corruption.
- 3. environmental degradation.
- 4. increasing population rates.

14. The fathers of liberalism, John Locke and Thomas Hobbes, understood human rights as innate in every human being because these rights ...

- 1. emerged when the rich started to exploit the poor.
- 2. did not arise from a social contract between the people and the state.
- 3. are rooted in politics, Western civilisation, and Western philosophy.
- 4. did not emerge as natural phenomena, but from universal politics.

15. Structural adjustment programmes (SAPs) are considered to have played a significant role in exacerbating poverty and inequality by ...

- 1. setting preconditions for receiving aid or loans.
- 2. adding to the sum of all goods and services produced in a country over time, without double-counting products used in other output.
- 3. not attaching any conditionalities to loans or aid and making them readily available to all developing countries.
- 4. enabling the "trickle-down" effect of the benefits of economic growth to the poorer sections of the population.

16. The term "Second World" refers to ...

- 1. the old socialist countries that disappeared after the fall of the Berlin Wall.
- 2. upper-middle income countries like South Africa.
- 3. non-aligned countries that emerged after the Second World War.
- 4. upcoming developing countries like China and India.

17. According to the study guide, which natural resource supplies over 70% of energy to poor African countries?

- 1. Water
- 2. Air
- 3. Trees
- 4. Coal

18. The basic needs approach argues that development ...

- 1. can be achieved by satisfying needs immediately.
- 2. is about improved status through the satisfaction of wants.
- 3. means different things to different people and positive development is therefore unattainable.
- 4. can be achieved through the eradication of widespread poverty and the provision of and access to basic services.

19. Human actions and historical processes that are responsible for underdevelopment, injustice and lack of human rights in some communities are ...

1. the slave trade, imperialism, capitalism, and apartheid.

- 2. apartheid, freedom, democracy, and corruption.
- 3. imperialism, human rights, development, and corruption.
- 4. justice, famine, dictatorship, and development.

20. The International Monetary Fund (IMF) conditionalities refer to the conditions attached to ...

- 1. measuring poverty and inequality levels in developing countries.
- 2. opening up developing world economies to the international stage.
- 3. providing loans to developing countries.
- 4. reducing flexibility in the labour market.

21. Stereotyping is problematic, because it ...

- 1. paints a deceptive picture, as not everybody who lives in the North is rich or hardworking, and not everybody who lives in the South is poor or lazy.
- 2. cannot be used to create tangible, quantifiable goals for development initiatives, and to identify alternative approaches.
- 3. enables specific, non-biased indicators to label countries.
- 4. has no effect on those who are typified or those who do the stereotyping.

22. In study unit 2, figure 2.1 best depicts the ...

- 1. relationship between poverty and the environment.
- 2. annual greenhouse gas emission by different sectors.
- 3. various approaches to environmentalism.
- 4. interdependent pillars of sustainable development.

23. Basic needs are regarded as a yardstick of development because they ...

- 1. demonstrate the economic and political deterioration of a country or region.
- 2. depict an accurate picture of the number of people that are not poverty-stricken.
- 3. show the capacity of a household, community or country to satisfy the needs of its people.
- 4. provide information on the number of people who are employed and have access to basic services.

24. The originators of the theory of human rights as a natural phenomenon are ...

- 1. Melville Herskovits and Mahathir Mohamed.
- 2. Mahmood Mamdani and Thomas Hobbes.
- 3. John Locke and Thomas Hobbes.
- 4. Jack Donnelly and Melville Herskovits.

25. "Absolute poverty" is defined as the ...

1. inability of households to meet their basic needs for survival.

- 2. conditions of life in which basic needs are barely met.
- 3. lack of necessary resources to enable people to participate in normal and desirable patterns of life.
- 4. unequal distribution of income, consumption and access to some resources.

(25 X 2 = 50 marks)

SEMESTER 1 ASSIGNMENTS 02-06: ESSAY-TYPE QUESTIONS

Note: It is compulsory to submit one essay-type assignment.

Follow the instructions very carefully. Before you begin writing your essay, read the information contained under the heading "How to do Assignments 02-06: essay-type questions" under section 8.6 of this tutorial letter, which provides important information on essay writing.

SEMESTER 1 ASSIGNMENT 02 (please write this number on your title page)

Assignments	Semester	Due date	Unique assignment number
Assignment 02	Semester 1	15 March 2021	836542

Discuss

- the meaning and implications of stereotyping
- the concepts "North", "South", and "Third World"
- the strengths and weaknesses of using economic indicators, the Human Development Index (HDI), and the under-five mortality rate (U5MR) to measure development

(50 marks)

Reading: Study guide, study units 1 & 5; UNDP (2018) report from the e-reserves

Your essay should consist of 3 to 5 typed pages, excluding the cover page and table of contents. In your essay, you must do the following:

- Provide a title page and a table of contents.
- Provide an introduction in which you introduce the topic. Then, outline how you will approach the question.
- Discuss the concepts "North", "South", and "Third World".
- Discuss stereotyping with regard to the following:
 - what we mean when we talk about "stereotyping"
 - the negative impact of stereotyping
- Discuss the strengths and weaknesses of using the following statistical indicators to describe the state of development in a country:
 - economic indicators

- Human Development Index (HDI)
- under-five mortality rate (U5MR)
- Provide your own points of view based on the information in the study unit, and arguments made in your essay.
- Provide a conclusion in which you summarise the main arguments from the body of your assignment.
- Include a list of references. All sources used in the text of your assignment must be reflected in your list of references.

SEMESTER 1 ASSIGNMENT 03 (please write this number on your title page)

Assignments	Semester	Due date	Unique assignment Number
Assignment 03	Semester 1	15 March 2021	876438

Discuss the concept of sustainable development in relation to the following environmental concerns:

- pollution
- desertification
- soil erosion and deforestation

(50 marks)

Reading: Study guide, study unit 2

Your essay should consist of 3 to 5 typed pages, excluding the cover page and table of contents. In your essay, you must do the following:

- Provide a title page and a table of contents.
- Provide an introduction in which you discuss the importance of sustainable development, and then outline how you will approach the question.
- Define the concept of sustainable development and discuss its three dimensions.
- Discuss how pollution, desertification, soil erosion, and deforestation affect/hinder efforts aimed at sustainable development.
- Provide your own points of view based on the information in the study unit, arguments made in your essay, and examples from your own context.
- Provide a conclusion in which you summarise the main arguments from the body of your assignment.
- Include a list of references. All sources used in the text of your assignment must be reflected in your list of references.

SEMESTER 1 ASSIGNMENT 04 (please write this number on your title page)

Assignments	Semester	Due date	Unique assignment number
Assignment 04	Semester 1	15 March 2021	820087

Accessing and securing basic needs is a continuous challenge in the developing world. Critically discuss this statement with reference to the COVID-19 pandemic. (50 marks)

Reading: Study guide, study units 3 & 5

Your essay should consist of 3 to 5 typed pages, excluding the cover page and table of contents. In your essay, you must do the following:

- Provide a title page and a table of contents.
- Provide an introduction in which you introduce the theme/topic of basic needs, and then outline how you will approach the question.
- Define and explain the term "basic needs" and provide examples. The examples
 must not be merely listed, but briefly explained to show your understanding of the
 concept.
- Explain some of the challenges that affected people's access to the basic needs of food, water/sanitation, and work/employment in the context of COVID-19.
 Highlight the issue of poverty, and the implications that it has for access to and satisfaction of basic needs. Use relevant information from study unit 5 to enhance your discussion.
- Discuss why and how access to basic needs continues to remain a challenge in the South African context. Use relevant examples to substantiate your arguments.
- Provide your own points of view based on the information in the study units, and arguments made in your essay.
- Provide a conclusion in which you summarise the main arguments from the body of your assignment.
- Include a list of references. All sources used in the text of your assignment must be reflected in your list of references.

SEMESTER 1 ASSIGNMENT 05 (please write this number on your title page)

Assignments	Semester	Due date	Unique assignment Number
Assignment 05	Semester 1	15 March 2021	883563

Discuss the evolution of human rights within the context of development.

(50 marks)

Reading: Study guide, study unit 4

Your essay should consist of 3 to 5 typed pages, excluding the cover page and table of contents. In your essay, you must do the following:

- Provide a title page and a table of contents.
- Provide an introduction in which you highlight the relationship between development and human rights, and then outline how you will approach the question.
- Explain the different human rights theories/schools of thought.
- Discuss criticisms levelled at the different human rights theories/schools of thought.
- Discuss the four generations of human rights.
- Provide your own points of view based on the information in the study unit, and arguments made in your essay.
- Provide a conclusion in which you summarise the main arguments from the body of your assignment.
- Include a list of references. All sources used in the text of your assignment must be reflected in your list of references.

SEMESTER 1 ASSIGNMENT 06 (please write this number on your title page)

Assignments	Semester	Due date	Unique assignment number
Assignment 06	Semester 1	15 March 2021	827569

Define and explain poverty and inequality. Then, discuss the following causes of poverty and inequality:

- Structural Adjustment Programmes (SAPs)
- globalisation
- educational inequality
- terms of trade and trade barriers

(50 marks)

Reading: Study guide, study unit 5; article by Reddy (2011) from the e-reserves

Your essay should consist of 3 to 5 typed pages, excluding the cover page and table of contents. In your essay, you must do the following:

- Provide a title page and table of contents.
- Provide an introduction in which you introduce the theme/topic of poverty and inequality, and then outline how you will approach the question.
- Define and explain poverty and inequality, and use examples to show your understanding of these concepts.
- Discuss the causes of poverty and inequality from your study guide (SAPs, globalisation, educational inequality and terms of trade and trade barriers), and how

- they contribute to poverty and inequality.
- Provide your own points of view based on the information in the study unit, the prescribed article, and arguments made in your essay.
- Provide a conclusion in which you summarise the main arguments from the body of your assignment.
- Include a list of references. All sources used in the text of your assignment must be reflected in your list of references.

SEMESTER 2 ASSIGNMENTS

SEMESTER 2 ASSIGNMENT 01 MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS (MCQs)

Assignments	Semester	Due date	Unique assignment number
Assignment 01: Compulsory	Semester 2	03 September 2021	775626

Assignment 01 consists of 25 multiple-choice questions, which must be submitted on a mark-reading sheet.

To complete the MCQs you need to understand the information in the study guide for the module DVA1501 and Tutorial Letter DVAALLD/301.

MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS (Semester 2)

1. Which ONE of the following sentences would <u>best</u> define plagiarism?

- 1. Plagiarism is when I copy from fellow students.
- 2. Plagiarism is when I use the ideas of others and provide a reference for the sources of these ideas.
- 3. Plagiarism is when I provide a reference for a quotation or paraphrase my reading material.
- 4. Plagiarism is when I use the words, ideas and thoughts of others without providing a reference.

2. According to Tutorial Letter DVAALLD/301, the action word 'identify' means to ...

- 1. deal with the topic in detail and investigate the implications.
- 2. show the differences between two or more aspects.
- 3. recognise a phenomenon, matter or concept as belonging to a specific category.

- 4. explain and clarify by using concrete examples.
- 3. The following paragraph was taken from a book dealing with poverty in the developing world. Read the passage and then answer the question that follows.

"It is not only a matter of concern to inhabitants and governments of countries of the Third World, but, indeed, also of industrialised countries in the North. To all involved, an understanding of the poverty situation and the use of commonly agreed-upon poverty indicators to clearly define poverty, are prerequisites for making headway in combating mass poverty".

Which one of the following sentences would be the <u>best first sentence</u> for the paragraph above?

- 1. Development is a complex problem across the world.
- 2. It is important to find solutions to the housing problem in rural and urban areas.
- 3. It is crucial that development agencies reach agreement about poverty indicators.
- 4. Poverty alleviation, or the combating of mass poverty, is one of the biggest challenges facing the world today.
- 4. "Inequality" can be defined as the ...
 - 1. uneven access to resources.
 - 2. deprivation of and limited access to basic needs.
 - 3. even and consistent distribution of wealth in society.
 - 4. privatisation and liberalisation of the economy.
- 5. Which indicator follows a complex mathematical calculation to produce a figure between 0 and 1, calculated to three decimal places?
 - 1. The under-five mortality rate.
 - 2. The Human Development Index.
 - 3. The Gross National Income per capita.
 - 4. The Gini coefficient.
- 6. According to the study guide, most of the export commodities which flow from South Africa (SA) to the United States of America (USA) are generated from which activities?
 - 1. Mining
 - 2. Agriculture
 - 3. Manufacturing
 - 4. Intellectual

7. Basic needs are contextual because ...

- 1. societies and cultures are different the world over.
- 2. some communities develop faster than others.
- 3. First World countries have stronger economies.
- 4. everyone has the same needs in a particular place.

8. "To materialists, human rights are products of struggles against various forms of oppression and exploitation rather than of culture or Western philosophies." Which example best describes this statement?

- 1. The people of the South and the indigenous people's movement are still struggling for the recognition of their basic rights.
- 2. Gender based violence denotes the violation of basic human rights, and world governments struggle to address this problem.
- 3. Women's rights were not given to them by men; they are products of feminist struggles against patriarchy.
- 4. Domestic workers and farm workers in various countries still experience abuse and exploitation from their rich employers.

9. The concept that describes how countries lose their most educated and skilled workers through migration is known as ...

- 1. wealth inequality.
- 2. educational inequality.
- 3. the trickle-down effect.
- 4. the brain drain.

10. A strength of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and Gross National Income (GNI) is that they ...

- 1. give an indication of how wealth is distributed in a nation.
- 2. show the quality of life experienced by a population.
- 3. highlight rising wealth within a country.
- 4. take into account women's unpaid work.

11. Which of the following would lead to sustainable development?

- 1. Increased awareness about protecting the environment
- 2. Increased mineral extraction and deforestation
- 3. Increased energy consumption and pollution
- 4. Increased population growth

12. After reading study unit 3, it may be concluded that basic needs ...

1. can be satisfied only through income-generating opportunities.

- 2. are contextual, and depend on who you are, where you live and your culture.
- 3. are largely constrained by external forces that rearrange circumstances.
- 4. can be achieved, regardless of the prevailing socio-political conditions.

13. Economic and social rights such as the right to health, education, employment, and housing are classified as ...

- 1. first-generation rights.
- 2. second-generation rights.
- 3. third-generation rights.
- 4. fourth-generation rights.

14. A shortcoming of the Human Development Index (HDI) is that it does not ...

- 1. give any indication of the distribution of wealth in a country.
- 2. provide the origins of income generated.
- 3. reflect on environmental degradation or inequalities within countries.
- 4. provide information on gendered power relations.

15. The Human Development Report is published annually by the ...

- 1. World Bank.
- 2. International Monetary Fund.
- 3. Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development.
- 4. United Nations Development Programme.

16. Which statement is an accurate description of the "downward spiral" of natural resource management?

- 1. There is a weak relationship between the environment and the people.
- 2. Poor people exploit natural resources in their environment to survive, and this degradation leads to a worsening of their livelihood conditions.
- 3. Poor people destroy their environment because they are naturally self-destructive and lack education about how to take care of their environment.
- 4. Increasing poor people's access to natural resources will not end the poor's deprivation trap.

17. Water and sanitation, as basic needs, are ...

- 1. the cause of food shortages, hunger, and malnutrition.
- 2. not essential for sustainable development.
- 3. problematic only for urban areas of the developing world.
- 4. a basic human right and necessary for good health.

18. The under-five mortality rate (U5MR) ...

- 1. is based on the rate of the probability of a new born dying before its fifth birthday per 100 live births.
- 2. gives an indication of a country's health and technological status.
- 3. is usually linked to factors such as poor access to safe water and sanitation, undernutrition, poverty and lack of health services.
- 4. reduces infant deaths to 25 or fewer.

19. The theory of natural rights is a precursor to the ... of human rights.

- 1. universalist theory
- 2. materialist theory
- 3. cultural relativism theory
- 4. cultural imperialism theory

20. Which one of the following statements about poverty and inequality is FALSE?

- 1. There is a real and significant difference between inequality and poverty.
- 2. Inequality may lead to poverty, and poverty may lead to inequality.
- 3. Inequality is measured by the GDP, while poverty is measured by the Gini coefficient.
- 4. Decreasing inequality is another way to fight poverty.

21. Civil and political rights such as the right to vote and freedom of assembly are categorised as ...

- 1. first-generation rights.
- 2. second-generation rights.
- 3. third-generation rights.
- 4. fourth-generation rights.

22. When was the term "sustainable development" first officially used?

- In 1992, at the Rio de Janeiro United Nations Conference on Environment and Development
- 2. In 2002, at the Johannesburg Summit
- 3. In 1987, in a report called "Our Common Future" published by the World Economic Forum
- 4. In 1972, at the Stockholm United Nations Conference

23. Which statement about food is accurate within the context of basic needs?

- 1. Food shortage can result in hunger and malnutrition, thus causing ill health.
- 2. Access to food is only dependent on the economic climate of a country.
- 3. Food insecurity results from the lack of government support only.
- 4. Hunger and food shortages are equally proportionate in the developed and developing world.

24. The International Criminal Court (ICC) classifies the "crime of apartheid" as a ...

- 1. genocide crime.
- 2. war crime.
- 3. crime against humanity.
- 4. crime against development.

25. According to Lumina (2008), the World Trade Organisation (WTO) is criticised because it ...

- 1. does not work in the interests of the majority of its members.
- 2. leads to political instability in developing countries.
- 3. does not work in the interests of the developed countries.
- 4. is largely concerned with social welfare.

(25 X 2 = 50 marks)

SEMESTER 2 ASSIGNMENT 02-06: ESSAY-TYPE QUESTIONS

Note: It is compulsory to submit **ONE** essay-type question.

Follow the instructions very carefully. Before you begin writing your essay, read the information contained under the heading "How to do Assignments 02-06: essay-type questions" under section 8.6 of this tutorial letter, which provides important information on essay writing.

SEMESTER 2 ASSIGNMENT 02 (please write this number on your title page)

Assignments	Semester	Due date	Unique assignment Number
Assignment 02	Semester 2	13 September 2021	638039

"Human well-being is a complex, multi-dimensional concept, based on much more than a person's income" (Ndlovu et al, 2017: 15).

Discuss the above statement by focusing on the following:

- · development as human well-being
- human development indicators
- the international Sustainable Development Goals
- development as positive change in a democracy

(50 marks)

Reading: Study guide, study units 1 & 5, UNDP (2018) report from the e-reserves

Your essay should consist of 3 to 5 typed pages, excluding the cover page and table of contents. In your essay, you must do the following:

- Provide a title page and a table of contents.
- Provide an introduction in which you introduce the concept of development as being complex and multi-dimensional, and one that deals with more than simply economics. Then, outline how you will approach the question.
- Illustrate the accuracy of the above statement by Ndlovu et al (2017) by discussing the origin and history of:
 - development as human well-being
 - the Human Development Index (HDI), its indicators, and their advantages and disadvantages
 - the international Sustainable Development Goals and explain what they focus on
- Then, describe the idea of development as positive change in a democracy.
- Provide your own points of view based on the information in the study unit, and arguments made in your essay.
- Provide a conclusion in which you summarise the main arguments from the body of your assignment.
- Include a list of references. All sources used in the text of your assignment must be reflected in your list of references.

SEMESTER 2 ASSIGNMENT 03 (please write this number on your title page)

Assignments	Semester	Due date	Unique assignment Number
Assignment 03	Semester 2	13 September 2021	632775

Critically reflect on the various approaches to sustainable development and environmentalism.

(50 marks)

Reading: Study guide, study unit 2

Your essay should consist of 3 to 5 typed pages, excluding the cover page and table of contents. In your essay, you must do the following:

- Provide a title page and a table of contents.
- Provide an introduction in which you discuss the importance of sustainable development, and then outline how you will approach the question.
- Explain the differences between the ecocentric, anthropocentric, and technocentric approaches to sustainable development.
- Outline what Gaians believe.

- Explain the difference between the accommodation and interventionist approaches.
- Provide your own points of view based on the various approaches, examples in the study unit and your own context.
- Provide a conclusion in which you summarise the main arguments from the body of your assignment.
- Include a list of references. All sources used in the text of your assignment must be reflected in your list of references.

SEMESTER 2 ASSIGNMENT 04 (please write this number on your title page)

Assignments	Semester	Due date	Unique assignment Number
Assignment 04	Semester 2	13 September 2021	674353

Critically discuss the relevance of basic needs and how the failure to satisfy them affects development. (50 marks)

Reading: Study guide, study units 3 & 5

Your essay should consist of 3 to 5 typed pages, excluding the cover page and table of contents. In your essay, you must do the following:

- Provide a title page and a table of contents.
- Provide an introduction in which you discuss the importance of basic needs, and then outline how you will approach the question.
- Define and explain the term "basic needs" and provide examples. The examples must not merely be listed, but briefly explained to show your understanding of the concept.
- In the body of your essay, do the following:
 - discuss the link between basic needs and development.
 - ➤ discuss the relevance of food, water/sanitation, literacy, and work/employment, and how the failure to satisfy each affects development.
 - ➤ Highlight the issue of poverty, and the implications that it has for access to and the satisfaction of basic needs. Use relevant information from study unit 5 to enhance your discussion.
- Provide your own points of view based on the information in the study units, and arguments made in your essay. Provide a conclusion in which you summarise the main arguments from the body of your assignment.
- Include a list of references. All sources used in the text of your assignment must be reflected in your list of references.

SEMESTER 2 ASSIGNMENT 05 (please write this number on your title page)

Assignments	Semester	Due date	Unique assignment number
Assignment 05	Semester 2	13 September 2021	831013

Discuss the link between development, justice and human rights in the African context.

(50 marks)

Reading: Study guide, study unit 4

Your essay should consist of 3 to 5 typed pages, excluding the cover page and table of contents. In your essay, you must do the following:

- Provide a title page and a table of contents.
- Provide an introduction in which you highlight the relationship between development, justice and human rights, and then outline how you will approach the question.
- Discuss the four human rights perspectives, and use examples to explain their characteristics as well as the criticisms levelled at each of them.
- Use examples to explain the relevance of human rights perspectives in the African context.
- Provide your own points of view based on the information in the study unit, and arguments made in your essay.
- Provide a conclusion in which you summarise the main arguments from the body of your assignment.
- Include a list of references. All sources used in the text of your assignment must be reflected in your list of references.

SEMESTER 2 ASSIGNMENT 06 (please write this number on your title page)

Assignments	Semester	Due date	Unique assignment number
Assignment 06	Semester 2	13 September 2021	638195

Define and differentiate between poverty and inequality. Then, discuss the role of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), World Bank (WB), and World Trade Organisation (WTO) in contributing to poverty and inequality in developing countries. (50 marks)

Reading: Study guide, study unit 5; article by Reddy (2011) from the e-reserves

Your essay should consist of 3 to 5 typed pages, excluding the cover page and table of contents. In your essay, you must do the following:

- Provide a title page and table of contents.
- Provide an introduction in which you introduce the theme/topic of poverty and

- inequality, and then outline how you will approach the question.
- Define and differentiate between poverty and inequality.
- Explain how the IMF, WB and WTO played a role in causing or contributing to poverty and inequality in developing countries.
- Provide your own points of view based on the information in the study unit, the prescribed article and arguments made in your essay.
- Provide a conclusion in which you summarise the main arguments from the body of your assignment.
- Include a list of references. All sources used in the text of your assignment must be reflected in your list of references.

8.7 Other assessment methods

There are no other assessment methods for this module.

8.8 The examination

The assessment for this module will conclude with a summative assessment, which will contribute 80% of your final mark. Information about the format and structure of the exam will be communicated on myUnisa.

Both sections of the examination paper require you to know the information in the study guide.

Consult Study @ Unisa for general examination guidelines and examination preparation guidelines.

- You must submit the MCQ assignment (i.e. Assignment 01) by the due date to gain admission to the examination.
- The MCQ assignment and the essay-type assignment both contribute towards your year mark.
- Your final mark is calculated as follows:
 - Year mark (20%) + examination mark (80%) = final mark (100%).
 - The year mark (20%) is calculated using your Assignment 01 (MCQs) mark (10%) and your essay assignment mark (10%).
 - o For example, if you received 80% for your MCQ Assignment 01, this would contribute 8% towards your final mark; if you received 60% for your essay-type assignment, this would contribute 6% towards your final mark: this would give you a total of 14 out of 20 for your year mark. If you received 55% in your examination, this would contribute 44% towards your final mark (i.e. 80% of 55).
 - Therefore, your final mark would be **58%** (i.e. year mark 14% + examination mark 44% = final mark 58%).

Note: You need to obtain a final mark of at least 50% to pass the module, and in the examination, you need to obtain a sub-minimum of 40%.

9 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

The *Study* @ *Unisa* brochure contains an A to Z guide of the most relevant study information. Below, we have included just a few of the most common questions.

- Q. What if I do not submit the MCQ assignment by the due date?
- A. You will not gain admission to the examination.
- Q. What if I do not submit one essay-type assignment by the due date?
- A. This will affect your year mark.
- Q. If I fail an assignment, can I rewrite it?
- A. No, you cannot rewrite your assignment.
- Q. What if I have not received my study material?
- A. All enquiries about study material must be directed to Despatch, not to lecturers. Send an email to despatch@unisa.ac.za.
- Q. What happens if I do not acknowledge the sources in my essay, but I include them in the list of references?
- A. You will lose marks and **you may fail your assignment**. Your lecturers will regard this as plagiarism. Refer to Tutorial Letter DVAALLD/301 for details.
- Q. Other departments send the scope of the examination to students. Will I receive one from the Department of Development Studies?
- A. You will also receive a tutorial letter before the examination that explains the format and structure of the examination. No other scope will be provided.

10 SOURCES CONSULTED

No additional sources were consulted.

11 IN CLOSING

We wish you all the best in your studies, and we hope to hear from you during the semester.

12 ADDENDUM

ASSIGNMENT CHECKLIST

Attach this assignment checklist to your completed **essay-type** assignment that you submit for marking. A copy of this checklist in MS Word format is available under the **Additional Resources** tab on myUnisa.

Complete this checklist and attach it to your essay-type assignment when you submit it. Answer all the questions by putting a cross/tick in the appropriate column.

Q	UESTION	YES	NO
1.	Have I included a table of contents?		
2.	Does my assignment consist of the following:		
	an introduction?		
	a main section (or body) with appropriate subheadings?		
	• a conclusion?		
3.	Have I included a list of references that complies with the following		
	requirements?		
	 I have listed all the sources to which I referred. 		
	I have provided full details according to the guidelines given in		
	Tutorial Letter DVAALLD/301.		
	I have listed the sources alphabetically.		
4.	Have I used references to acknowledge all the sources from which		
	I have borrowed ideas?		
5.	Did I write in my own words to avoid plagiarism?		
6.	Have I checked to see whether all my sentences are arranged in a		
	logical order so that my lecturer will be able to follow my arguments?		
7.	Did I limit my assignment to the number of words or pages		
	stipulated in the assignment question?		
8.	Have I written my full particulars on the title page?		
9.	Have I written the correct assignment number on the title page?		

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