



**HERBERT CHITEPO SCHOOL OF LAW AND COMMERCE**  
**DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS AND FINANCE**

**MAIN EXAMINATION**

<b>BACHELOR OF COMMERCE</b>	<b>PART 4 SEMESTER 1</b>
<b>COURSE</b>	<b>BANKING REGULATION AND SUPERVISION</b>
<b>CODE</b>	<b>HBF 419</b>
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<b>DURATION</b>	<b>3 HOURS</b>

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- 1. THE PAPER COMPRISES 5 QUESTIONS.**
- 2. ANSWER ANY 4 (FOUR) QUESTIONS.**
- 3. BEGIN THE ANSWER TO EACH QUESTION ON A FRESH PAGE OF THE ANSWER BOOKLET.**

### **QUESTION 1**

Discuss the general trends that have characterized the banking sector in most developing economies such as Zimbabwe over the last twenty years or so. **[25 Marks]**

### **QUESTION 2**

In the context of Zimbabwe do you agree with the arguments for or against an independent central bank? Discuss. **[25 Marks]**

### **QUESTION 3**

With reference to the Basel standards write an essay on the importance of prudential regulation of banks with focus on capital adequacy requirements. **[25 Marks]**

### **QUESTION 4**

4.1 The reasons why banks fail are numerous and often interlinked. Managerial deficiencies are often important and there is a very fine line between bad management and fraud. Discuss. **[10 Marks]**

4.2 Outline the different approaches to the resolution of a failed bank. **[15 Marks]**  
**[TOTAL 25 MARKS]**

### **QUESTION 5**

Illustrate the main features of the Basel Capital Accords, with a focus on the reforms introduced by Basel III. **[25 Marks]**