



NTNU – Trondheim
Norwegian University of
Science and Technology

Department of Geography

Examination paper for GEOG3053 - Discourses of Development and Globalization

Academic contact during examination: Ragnhild Lund
Phone: 977 15 223

Examination date: 1st June, 2015
Examination time: 4 hours
Credits: 7.5
Grades to be announced on: 22nd June, 2015
Permitted examination support material: None

Language: English
Number of pages: 2
Number of pages enclosed: 0

Please answer both question 1a and 1b. Both parts carry equal weight.

Question 1a)

Please describe the two concepts below briefly (max. 2 pages for each concept) with respect to origin, ideas, and how they have been used in development studies.

- Neo-liberalism
- Alternative Development

Question 1b)

Theory is critique, revision and summing up of past knowledge in the form of general propositions, the fusion of diverse views and partial knowledges in general frameworks of explanation. What is referred to as 'development theory' largely belongs to the level of grand theories, broad explanatory frameworks. This is part of its limited character (Pieterse 2001;2).

With reference to the quote from Pieterse and the two concepts that you define in Question 1a, please discuss the limitations of the theories these two concepts are parts of. You can use examples from real life to illustrate your discussion.