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Course Unit: **Research Methods and Writing Skills**

Course: BDDS I & II- End of Semester one Examinations

Time duration: 3 hours

Date: Wednesday 18th January 2023

Time: 9:30am-12:30pm

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer **ANY FOUR** questions only.
2. Write clearly and legibly.
3. Indicate questions answered on the Answer Sheet in the column of Questions.

Question 1:

- a) With the help of scholarly definition, define the term Research **(03 marks)**
- b) What are some of the key Characteristics of Formal Research? **(10 marks)**
- c) Identify any three Research Ethics and explain their relevance in the discipline? **(12 marks)**

Question 2:

- a) Explain any five differences between qualitative and quantitative research? **(15 marks)**
- b) Identify any four purposes of a research as a scientific discipline? **(10 marks)**

Question 3:

Write short notes on the following designs used in Research? **(25 marks)**

- a) Phenomenology **(05 marks)**

- b) Grounded theory (05 marks)
- c) Correlation (05 marks)
- d) Ethnography (05 marks)
- e) Descriptive design (05 marks)

Question 4:

- a) What do you understand by statistics in Research? (05 marks)
- b) Identify and discuss any five characteristics of Statistics (10 marks)
- c) Why are statistics important to government of Uganda?(10 marks)

Question 5:

- a) Explain any three methods of central tendencies in statistics (15 marks)
- b) Discuss the merits and demerits of each method of central tendency(10 marks)

Question 6:

- a) Outline and discuss the major steps in undertaking a scientific research(15 marks)
- b) Identify five sampling techniques you know and explain why they are important in research?(10 marks)

Question 7:

- a) Identify any five data collection methods and explain the techniques used for each (15 marks).
- b) Discuss any three ethical issues used in research and explain why they are relevant in scientific studies. (05 marks)

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