



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

**REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR
SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
DIPLOMA IN SOCIAL WORK/CRIMINOLOGY**

**COURSE CODE: DSW 204/DCR 206
COURSE TITLE: RESEARCH METHODS**

DATE: 21ST AUGUST, 2019

TIME: 0830 – 1030 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- *Answer question ONE (compulsory) and any other THREE questions.*
- *Question one carries 25 marks*
- *All other questions carry 15 marks*

QUESTION ONE

There has been an increase in insecurity in your sub-location and many people have reported injuries and lose of their valuable items. Suppose you want to carry out research on this;

- i. Identify a relevant search topic for your study (2 marks)
- ii. Provide a brief problem statement to your study. (5marks)
- iii. Identify any four objectives for your study (4 marks)
- iv. Formulate research questions from your objectives (4 marks)
- v. Draft a questionnaire and/or an interview schedule that you will use to collect data based on the objectives. (5 marks)
- vi. Explain the ethical consideration that you will observe during data collection. (5 marks)

QUESTION TWO

Discuss the roles and outcomes of the scientific inquiry. (15 marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a) Describe in detail the various types of non-probability sampling. (10 marks)
- b) Explain the purpose of research to a practicing social worker. (5 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Compare and contrast qualitative and quantitative research (10 marks)
- b) What do you understand by sampling? What are its types? (5 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Demonstrate the criteria for selecting a sampling procedure (10 marks)
- b) Highlight factors that influence the sample size (5 marks)

QUESTION SIX

- a) Write a lucid note on the steps in carrying out literature review. (10 marks)
- b) Explain the purpose of literature review. (5 marks)

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