



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

**REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR
SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF ARTS HUMANITIES, SOCIAL SCIENCES AND
CREATIVE INDUSTRIES**

**DIPLOMAIN SOCIAL WORK AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT.**

**COURSE CODE : DSW 2115
COURSE TITLE : RESEARCH METHODS**

DATE: 15TH DECEMBER 2022

TIME: 0830-1030 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions

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turn over.*

QUESTION ONE

- a) Explain the following terms as used in research studies. **(10 marks)**
 - i. Continuous variable
 - ii. Discrete variable
 - iii. Ratio scale
 - iv. Ordinal scale
 - v. Interval scale
- b) Define the term mean and discuss the mean distribution shapes as used in research methods. **(10 marks)**
- c) Describe the detailed research report format as studied in research methods **(10 marks)**

QUESTION TWO

- a) Discuss the key Types of research hypotheses in research methods. **(10 marks).**
- b) Describe the key Research Proposal steps as used in research methods **(10 marks)**

QUESTION THREE

- a) Explain five types of research designs in research methods. **(10 marks)**
- b) Discuss the basic purposes for conducting research in the field of social sciences and humanity **(10 marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Discuss the key differences between qualitative and quantitative research. **(10 marks)**
- b) Discuss five methods of data collection as used in research methods **(10marks)**

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Explain application of statistics as used in research **(10 marks)**
- b) Discuss sampling techniques as used in research methods **(10 marks)**

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