

MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

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

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION MASTER OF EDUCATION IN EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION

COURSE CODE: ERE 8295 COURSE TITLE: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY II

DATE: 15TH DECEMBER, 2022 TIME: 1430-1630

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATE

Answer question 1 (ONE) and any other Two questions

QUESTION ONE

a) Discuss the five purposes of literature review in a research study.

(10 Marks)

b) Discuss three types of hypotheses used in social sciences.

(6 Mark)

c) Differentiate between delimitation and limitation in a research study. (4 Mark)

QUESTION TWO

- **a)** Discuss 7 fitfalls that a researcher should avoid when writing Chapter Four of a thesis. (14 marks)
- **b)** Discuss three methods of presenting quantitative data in a research thesis. **(6 marks)**

QUESTION THREE

a) Explain any seven changes that have been introduced in APA 7th Edition that were not in the 6th Edition.

(10

marks)

b) Giving five examples explain how you can identify knowledge gaps from reviewed literature. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Discuss the three sources of a conceptual framework for a research study. (12 marks)
- **b)** Give four points, explain why it is important for a researcher to develop a research proposal before executing the research study. **(8 marks)**

QUESTION FIVE

- **a)** Explain the information that a researcher should include in the following sections of a research proposal:
 - i. Research Design
 - ii. Target Population
 - iii. Sample size and sampling techniques

- iv. Data collection instruments
- v. Piloting the Instruments
- vi. Data Collection Procedure
- vii. Ethical Issues (14 marks)

b) Discuss **three** ways of removing or minimizing effects of variables that are not of interest to the research study.

(6 marks)

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