

MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

COURSE CODE: ERE 8295

COURSE TITLE: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY II

DATE: 13/12/2023

TIME: 1100-1400 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

This paper consists of **TWO** printed pages. Please turn over

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions

QUESTION ONE

- a) Discuss five considerations that you should make when choosing a research problem. (10 marks)
- b) Provide 5 guidelines to a master's students is searching for an appropriate theory to underpin a proposed study. (10 marks)

QUESTION TWO

- a) Discuss 5 characteristics of good research. (10 marks)
- b) Explain the three sources of literature review and give two examples for each source. (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE

- **a)** Explain the following terminologies and give examples from an hypothetical research study of your choice.
 - I. Sampling (2 Marks)
 - II. Sample (2 Marks)
 - III. Population (2 Marks)
 - IV. Sample size (2 Marks)
 - V. Sampling frame (2 Marks)

(10 marks)

b) Imagine you are making a decision on the process to apply in data collection. Explain four key factors that you need to consider and give an example for each case. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Discuss five things that you need to avoid when analyzing your research data in chapter four of your thesis. **(10 marks)**
- b) Identify five descriptive statistics that can be used to describe data and five statistics that can be used to test hypotheses
 (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Explain five characteristics of a well-designed experimental research methodology. (10 marks)
- b) Discuss five ways of removing or minimizing effects of variables that are not of interest to the research study. (10 marks)