

MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PHD) IN EDUCATION

COURSE CODE: ERE 9198

COURSE TITLE: PROPOSAL WRITING AND

ADVISEMENT

DATE: 05/6/24 TIME: 1430-1630HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question **ONE** and any other **TWO** questions

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

- 1 In your area of study, identify a researchable problem and describe the following:
- a) Title of the study (3 marks)
- b) Statement of the problem (3 marks)
- c) Specify two possible research objectives, two research hypothesis and two research questions for the study. **(6 marks)**
- d) Significance of the study (4 marks)
- e) Develop a conceptual frame work for the study specifying key independent and dependent variables. (4 marks)
- f) Time schedule for the study (4 marks)
- 2) a) Explain five justifications for developing a research proposal prior to conducting a study. (10 marks)
- b) Describe four characteristics of a good research topic. (8 marks)
- 3) a) Explain five purposes of literature review at proposal development phase of research undertaking. (10 marks)
- b) Describe four research instruments you may include in a research proposal. (8 marks)
- 4) a) Explain four distinguishing features between probability and non-probability sampling techniques. (8 marks)
- b) Using suitable examples describe any three probability and two non-probability sampling techniques. (10 marks)
- 5) a) Explain five rationales for stipulating the design that will be applied in carrying out a study in a research proposal. (10 marks)
- b) Describe four characteristics of experimental research design. (8 marks)

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