

JARAMOGI OGINGA ODINGA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCE UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS IN RELIGION

1ST YEAR 1ST SEMESTER 2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR MAIN CAMPUS – REGULAR

COURSE CODE: ZRE 4111

COURSE TITLE: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

EXAM VENUE: STREAM: (M.A in Religion)

DATE: EXAM SESSION:

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. This paper contains FIVE (5) questions. Answer ANY 3 questions.
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.

- 1. a) Discuss the traditions and presumptions behind qualitative and quantitative research methods (15 marks).
 - b) Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of both qualitative and quantitative research methods (5 marks).
- 2. a) Discuss the importance of sampling in research (5 marks)
 - b) Explain the following techniques of sampling:
 - i) Random sampling (5 marks)
 - ii) Stratified sampling (5 marks)
 - ii) Cluster sampling (5 marks)
- 3. Discuss the meaning and reason for carrying out a literature review (15 marks)
 - (b) How and in what ways does a literature review identify a research gap (5 marks)?
- 4. a) Discuss the three aspects of culture, behaviour and language in ethnographic research (10 Marks).
 - b) Evaluate the four kinds of questions (of why, when, how, what) asked during a qualitative research (10 marks).
- 5. Mention and explain the key parts of writing a research report, thesis or a dissertation (20 marks).