



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY
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FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF SECURITY MANAGEMENT AND POLICE STUDIES
KPS 200: SOCIAL RESEARCH METHODS

DATE: Friday, 2nd February 2018

TIME: 5.30 p.m. - 7.30 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question one and any other two questions.

- Q1. (a) Describe any FIVE research types based on methodology and use. (10 marks)
(b) Explain FIVE uses of research in social science. (10 marks)
(c) Explain the difference between Inductive and Deductive reasoning as applied in research. (5 marks)
(d) Discuss the difference between qualitative and quantitative research traditions. (5 marks)
- Q2. (a) Explain the different types of variables. (10 marks)
(b) Discuss FOUR ways in which variables are measured. (10 marks)
- Q3. (a) Explain the difference between probability and non-probability sampling techniques. (8 marks)
(b) Discuss THREE probability and THREE non-probability sampling techniques. (12 marks)
- Q4. (a) Explain the different levels of participant observation method. (8 marks)
(b) Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of participant observation in research. (12 marks)
- Q5. (a) Explain (i) the meaning of and (ii) the steps in data analysis. (8 marks)
(b) Describe any FOUR different types of data analysis. (12 marks)