



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2016/2017

**SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF PUBLIC
HEALTH (REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH)**

HEH 800: GENERAL RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

DATE: Thursday 18th May 2017

TIME: 2.00p.m-5.00p.m

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer question **ONE** and any other **THREE** questions

1. a) Research is usually considered as a process and not an outcome? Discuss (30 marks)
b) Postgraduate students are requested to write thesis in second year as partial fulfillment of the award of a degree in Master of public health. Explain what would be the major sources of their research problems?. (20 marks)
2. Explain why researchers review existing literature when conducting research?.(30 marks)
3. What are the main differences among explanatory research, descriptive research and diagnostic research? Use examples to justify your answer. (30 marks)
4. Explain the differences between qualitative and quantitative methods (30 marks)
5. Explain the differences between probability and non-probability sampling. Use examples to justify your answer. (30 marks)
6. You are planning to undertake a qualitative research. One of the methods that you need to use is participant observation method.
 - a) Explain the factors you will consider to ensure that have an effective observation (10marks)
 - b) What are the advantages and disadvantages of using observation method to collect data (20marks)