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DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN SECURITY MANAGEMENT AND POLICE
STUDIES
SSC 903: ADVANCED RESEARCH METHODS

DATE: Tuesday, 30th January 2018

TIME: 5.30p.m-8.30p.m

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO ^{h.ee} questions

1. Discuss the importance of taking into account the philosophical issues when designing an empirical research. 15 (7marks)
2. You are supposed to conduct an intervention research to help women in one of the communities in Kenya to take control of their lives.
 - (a) With justification describe the research approach that you could use (9marks)
 - (b) Describe the most appropriate method/s of data collection you would use (6marks)
3. Assess the relationship between theory and observation in creation of knowledge through research. (15marks)
4.
 - (a) Examine the role of the conceptual framework in guiding research (6 marks)
 - (b) Discuss the importance of conducting literature review in research (9marks)

5. (a) Discuss the factors that you would consider when selecting population for your study (6marks)
- (b) You are conducting a cross sectional survey to find out the factors that contribute to insecurity in Manga area of Kenya. With example describe the sampling techniques that you would apply to obtain a representative sample. (9marks)
6. (a) Discuss the importance of accurate operationalization of the key variables in research (9markss)
- (b) Describe the role of objectives in research (6 marks)