



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2017/2018
SUPPLEMENTARY/SPECIAL EXAMINATION FOR THE DIPLOMA IN CRIME
MANAGEMENT AND PREVENTION

ASC 082: METHODS OF SOCIAL INQUIRY

DATE: Thursday 27th September 2018

TIME: 8.00a.m-10.00a.m

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions

1. a) Define social research and explain the reasons for doing research in the area of crime. (14 marks)
b) What are five characteristics of scientific research? (10 marks)
c) Show what you understand by a research design? (6 marks)
2. Explain one quantitative method and one qualitative method of doing research, and give advantages and disadvantages of each. (20 marks)
3. a) Outline the factors that affect the choice of a sample in research. (10 marks)
b) Explain two probability and two non-probability sampling techniques. (10 marks)
4. Highlight the ethical considerations a researcher should take into account (20 marks)
5. a) Using examples show the types of questions to be avoided in constructing a questionnaire. (12 marks)
b) What are four advantages of using interviews to collect data? (8 marks)