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**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

CDEV 351: RESEARCH METHODS

STREAMS: BSC (CDEV) Y3S1 (ODEL)

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 03/12/2019

8.30 AM – 10.30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer question one and two others

1. (a) Explain any 4 challenges experienced by researchers in Kenya and suggest how the challenges can be overcome. [8 marks]
- (b) With examples, elaborate any four characteristics of research. [8 marks]
- (c) Show any four ways which you can derive a research topic. [8 marks]
- (d) Using examples, cite three reasons why researchers should review previous studies. [6 marks]
2. (a) With examples, cite five reasons why questionnaire is an important tool for collecting data in research. [10 marks]
- (b) Research methodology is crucial in research. Support this statement. [8 marks]
3. With examples discuss the following ethical considerations in research.
 - (i) Plagiarism [5 marks]
 - (ii) Confidentiality [5 marks]
 - (iii) Dissemination of findings [5 marks]
 - (iv) Using statistics to lie [5 marks]
4. (a) When writing a research project, you may be required to determine a sample. Discuss the steps that will guide you in the sampling process. [12 marks]

- (b) Show the difference between random and non-random sampling. [8 marks]
5. (a) Show the application of research in community development. [10 marks]
- (b) There is a disconnect between policy makers and researchers in Kenya. Support this statement. [10 marks]
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