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1ST SEMESTER 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

THIRD YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN PEACE AND
CONFLICT STUDIES

**PACS 314: RESEARCH METHODS IN PEACE AND
CONFLICTS STUDIES**

STREAM:

TIME: 2 HRS

DAY: THURSDAY [11.30-1.30 P.M]

DATE: 14/12/2023

THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF TWO (2) PAGES

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INSTRUCTIONS

- i) Do Not Write anything on this question paper*
- ii) Answer Question one (30mks) and any other Two Questions (20mks each)*

QUESTION ONE [30 MARKS]

- (a) Research is a step by step process. Discuss the components of research [13 marks]
- (b) “There are various reasons why a sample would be appropriate for a study” Discuss this statement. [7 marks]
- (c) What are the characteristics of good research? [10 marks]

QUESTION TWO [20 MARKS]

- (a) What are the motivation in research? [10 marks]
- (b) Outline five (5) sources of knowledge [10 marks]

QUESTION THREE [20 MARKS]

- (a) Briefly outline the steps in the research processes. [7 marks]
- (b) What are the ethical issues in research ? [13 marks]

QUESTION FOUR [20 MARKS]

- (a) What are the characteristics of a good sample ? [8 marks]
- (b) Discuss different non-probabilistic sampling techniques giving one business circumstance where each technique would be most appropriately applied. [12 marks]

QUESTION FIVE [20 MARKS]

- (a) Describe the steps involved in data preparation. [10 marks]
- (b) Briefly explain the four (4) types of research designs based on purpose. [10 marks]

