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1ST SEMESTER 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

FOURTH YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE
OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CRIMINOLOGY AND
SECURITY STUDIES

CRSS 411: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

STREAM:

TIME: 2 HRS

DAY: MONDAY [14.30-16.30 P.M]

DATE: 11/12/2023

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INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER THREE QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 Marks)

- a) Discuss the importance of literature review in criminology research? **(5 Marks)**
- b) “There are various reasons why a sample would be appropriate for a study”. Discuss this statement. **(6 Marks)**
- c) What are the characteristics of good research? **(4 Marks)**
- d) Explain the components of research [5 marks]
- e) Discuss the attributes for a good topic **(5 marks)**
- f) A statement problem gives the gist of the main problem. Explain the components of a good statement of problem. **(5 marks)**

QUESTION TWO

- a) Research problem is key to pursuing research. Discuss the different sources of research problem.
- b) Research serves several purposes. Discuss **(5 marks)**

QUESTION THREE

- a) Several strategies can be used to collect data. Discuss four data collection strategies. **(10 marks)**
- b) Discuss the parametric techniques that one can apply in analyzing data. **(10 marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

- a) i) Differentiate between the following;
 - ii) Research methodology and research method. **(10 marks)**
- b) Differentiate between stratified random sampling and cluster sampling techniques showing when each is most appropriate **(10 marks)**



QUESTION FIVE

What do you understand by the term “research process”? With the aid of a diagram, describe exhaustibly what the research process involves. **(20 marks)**

