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FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MATHEMATICS

MATH 390: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

STREAMS:

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 07/07/2021

5.00 P.M. – 7.00 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer question one and any other two questions
- Adhere to the instructions on the answer booklet.

QUESTION ONE Compulsory.

- Explain the difference between primary data and Secondary data (2 marks)
- State at least three assumptions of Sampling (3 marks)
- List at least four Forms of Hypothesis (4 marks)
- State the main parts of an abstract in a report (6 marks)
- State and briefly explain at least five tools of data collection (5 marks)
- Highlight five Types of Research On the basis of method of research (5 marks)
- Highlight at least six Basic rules in the APA referencing style. (5 marks)

QUESTION TWO

- Highlight and briefly explain 10 sources of applied mathematics research problem. (10 marks)
- Highlight the General format of research report: (5 marks)
- Explain the difference between a bibliography and a reference and state at least four referencing styles (5 marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a. Highlight the general steps in Experimental Research Methods. (10 marks)
- b. State and explain at least five Purposes of a Research Design. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a. Briefly explain the following terms (4 marks)
 - i. Exploratory or formative research studies.
 - ii. Descriptive research studies
 - iii. Diagnostic research studies
 - iv. Hypothesis-testing research studies
- b. Highlight the criteria to be satisfied by a scientific research (7 marks)
- c. State at least four questions to be answered in the Evaluation of a research Problem (4 marks)
- d. Highlight the main characteristics of a good objective (5 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- a. Explain the steps in Identification of a Research Problem: (5 marks)
 - b. Explain five Characteristics of Good Research Design: (10 marks)
 - c. List at least five types of variables in research (5 marks)
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