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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF MASTER OF EDUCATION

EDUC 801: RESEARCH METHODS IN EDUCATION

STREAMS:

TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 4/12/2019

2.30 P.M – 5.30 P.M

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer question one and any other two questions

1. (a) There has been cases of conflicts between heads of educational institutions and the members of boards of management. Educational stakeholders have also raised concerns on the competence of BOM members to effectively participate in the management of the institutions. To address these issues the ministry of education is inviting you to submit proposals for research on the above matter.
 - (i) Propose a research title for your study and identify the variables of research. [3 marks]
 - (ii) Formulate at least three research objectives. [3 marks]
 - (iii) Identify a research design for the study and rationalize the choice of your design. [4 marks]
 - (iv) Explain how you could minimize /control the extraneous variables in research. [6 marks]
- (b) With suitable illustrations evaluate the significance of research in educational management. [8 marks]
- (c) Discuss with examples four types of data you could collect in educational studies and explain the key characteristics for each data set. [6 marks]
2. The review of literature is critical for successful educational research. With suitable examples evaluate the role/significance of literature review in educational research. [15 marks]

3. Sampling is critical in educational studies and as many benefits. With suitable illustrations discuss four sampling methods that utilizes probability techniques.
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 4. Researchers in developing countries are faced with many challenges in undertaking studies. With examples evaluate challenges that undermine research in Kenya.
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