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REGULAR PROGRAMME

DCP 009: RESEARCH METHODS IN BEHAVIOURAL SCIENCES

Date: DECEMBER 2021 Duration: 3 Hours

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Answer Question ONE and any THREE Questions

Q1.

a) Describe the basic steps of scientific methods

(9 marks)

b) Using examples differentiate between null hypothesis and alternative hypothesis

(6

marks)

c) Explain the scientific method of acquiring knowledge

(5 marks)

d) Explain the purpose of literature review

(5 marks)

Q2. Describe different types of non-probability sampling methods

(15marks)

Q3. Explain the difference between quantitative and qualitative research methods (15 marks)

Q4. Examine critical considerations while constructing research instruments.

(15marks)

Q5. Explain characteristics of a good research problem

(15marks)

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