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**CENTRE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND ETHICS**

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**SHORT COURSES**

**ACML 202/AJPE 202: RESEARCH METHODS**

<b>Date: AUGUST 2021</b>	<b>Duration: 2 Hours</b>
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<b>INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any other THREE Questions</b>
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**Q1** a. Define the following terms as used in research methods:

- i. Target population
- ii. Sample size
- iii. Qualitative research
- iv. Case study
- v. Quantitative research

**(10Marks)**

**b.** Highlight any five limitations that you are likely to encounter in the process of conducting this research

**(10Marks)**

**c.** Examine the challenges one is likely to face when utilising quantitative research approach

**(10Marks)**

**Q2a.** Explain any five ethical considerations for the study conducted above **(10Marks)**

**b.** Citing its major weaknesses, discuss participant observation as a method of data collection in research

**(10Marks)**

**Q3.** Access to research participants is often a key challenge in qualitative research. Discuss the strengths and weaknesses of ethnography and telephone interviews as

research methods, with specific reference to gaining access to research participants

**(20Marks)**

- Q4**
- a. Define a sample size and show how you would select a true representative sample, given a total population of 6000 people **(10Marks)**
  - b. Explain characteristics of good research objectives **(10Marks)**

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DET: MAY 2021