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INSTITUTE FOR REGIONAL INTEGRATION AND DEVELOPMENT

EVENING PROGRAMME

MRI 514: METHODS AND TECHNIQUES FOR SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH

Date: DECEMBER 2015

Duration: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer ALL Questions in SECTION A and ANY TWO Questions in section B

SECTION A

- Q1. a) Name FOUR disciplines which fall in the social science area of study.
b) Demonstrate how TWO of these disciplines could enhance regional integration.
- Q2. Write brief notes on the following terms
- a) Field work
 - b) Sample population
 - c) Literature review
 - d) Hypothesis
 - e) Qualitative method

SECTION B

- Q3. Describe the following THREE institutions and organizations of the EAC and indicate TWO specific research questions that can be addressed on each.
- a) East African Legislative Assembly (EALA)
 - b) The Inter- University Council for East Africa (IUCEA)
 - c) The Lake Victoria Basin Commission (EABC)

- Q4. a) Distinguish THREE differences between academic writing and creative writing.
- b) Define the term 'intellectual property' and show why it is sometimes not respected as 'personal property'
- Q5. Name any 'Theory' that is applied in social science research and demonstrate how it may be used in current research on East African Regional Integration.
- Q6. Explain the methodology of participant / observer and show how you could apply it in a topic of your choice about regional integration in general.
- Q7. Write brief notes on the following
- i Library research
 - ii Mass observation
 - iii Focused interview
 - iv Case study
 - v Random sampling
 - vi Opinionnaire

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