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**MAIN EXAMINATION**

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**FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

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**EVENING PROGRAMME**

**SDS 201: RESEARCH METHODS**

**Date: DECEMBER 2018**

**Duration: 2 Hours**

**INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and ANY OTHER TWO Questions**

- Q1. a) Describe any four characteristics of research **(12marks)**  
b) Discuss any four qualities of a good and effective research Title **(8Marks)**  
c) With relevant examples, distinguish between Survey research and descriptive research **(8marks)**
- Q2. Quantitative, qualitative and mixed method approaches are techniques used in research.  
a) Describe any three characteristics of each **(12marks)**  
b) Explain any two shortcomings of each **(8marks)**
- Q3. Discuss any four Ethical Considerations you would consider in carrying out research **(20Marks)**
- Q4. With examples, explain the following sampling techniques:  
a) Probability sampling techniques **(10Marks)**  
b) Non-Probability sampling techniques **(10Marks)**
- Q5. a) Discuss any four source of literature. **(10Marks)**  
b) Describe the relevance of literature Review in a scientific study **(10Marks)**

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