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COURSE CODE: FMS304

CREDIT UNIT: 3

COURSE TITLE: RESEARCH METHODS

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

Instructions: 1. Attempt question number One (1) and any other three (3).

2. Question number 1 is compulsory and carries 25 marks, while the other questions carry 15 marks each.

3. Present all your points in coherent and orderly manner.

1. "A researcher should be a scholarly imaginative person of the highest integrity". From the statement, discuss extensively the concept of research and the major characteristics of research with relevant examples. **25MARKS**

2. Describe briefly the different levels of development of a theory. **15MARKS**

3. Differentiate between the following:

i. Quantitative and Qualitative Research

5MARKS

ii. Facts and Theories

5MARKS

iii. Hypothesis and Theory

5MARKS

4. Briefly discuss the following:

i. Null hypothesis

ii. Alternative hypothesis

iii. Independent variable

iv. Dependent variable

v. Variable

3MARKS EACH

5. a. What is critical research?

5MARKS

- b. Analyze the elements of critical social research
10MARKS

6. a. What is Survey Research? **5**

MARKS

- b. Explain the steps involved in carrying out survey research
10MARKS