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1ST YEAR 2ND SEMESTER 2013/2014 ACADEMIC YEAR
CENTRE: KISUMU

COURSE CODE: EDU 803

COURSE TITLE: RESEARCH PROPOSAL WRITING

EXAM VENUE: STREAM: MASTERS IN GUIDING AND COUNSELING

DATE: 18 /12/13

EXAM SESSION: 9.00 – 12 NOON

TIME: 3 HOURS

Instructions:

- 1. Answer question 1 (compulsory) and ANY other 3 questions.**
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.**
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.**

QUESTION ONE

- a) What factors should research consider when choosing a research topic? (4 marks)
- b) Explain why it is important for researchers to prepare a research proposal (4 marks)
- c) Discuss the challenges faced by novice researchers in Universities today (12 marks)

QUESTION TWO

- a) Explain four sources of research topics (8 marks)
- b) Discuss the four main dimensions of a research background (12 marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a) Explain what is meant by a research problem (4 marks)
- b) Discuss the features of a well stated problem statement (16 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Explain the importance of a good literature review in a research proposal (8 marks)
- b) Discuss four main concepts in a well written literature review (12 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Explain three factors to consider before choosing a research design (6 marks)
- b) Discuss what information a researcher should provide the participants with in order to gain informed consent (14 marks)