



MASENO UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2013/2014

**FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE
DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS IN LINGUISTICS
(MAIN CAMPUS)**

ALN 814: RESEARCH METHODS II

Date: 7th April, 2014

Time: 9.00 - 12noon

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer QUESTION ONE and ANY OTHER TWO questions.



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY TWO QUESTIONS.

1. Discuss Welson and Kruger's (2001) contention that Research is a process by which scientific methods are used to expand knowledge in a particular field of inquiry. (30 mks)

2. With illustrations, discuss the importance of the following parts of a research proposal:
 - a) Introduction
 - b) Background to the study
 - c) Statement of the Problem
 - d) Research Objectives(15 marks)
3. Assess the application and efficacy of triangulation in Linguistic research. (15 marks)
4. Discuss any THREE methods of data collection and outline their merits and demerits. (15 marks)
5. Design a sample of a self-administered questionnaire that demonstrates how to collect qualitative and quantitative data. (15 marks)