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DDS 309: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

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Time: 2.00 – 4.00 p.m.

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INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question **ONE** and any other **TWO** questions.

1. Define the concept research and explain its core functions
2. Identify and explain the key components of a research proposal
3. With examples, discuss the merits and demerits of the following instruments of data collection:
 - (a) Focus Group Discussions
 - (b) Interviews
4. With examples, provide a distinction between probability and non-probability sampling methods
5. Compare and contrast comparative and historical methods in social science research