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**SCHOOL OF EDUCATION**

**SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2015 EXAMINATION**

**COURSE CODE: EDU 823 (3 UNITS)**

**COURSE TITLE: EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH METHODS**

**TIME ALLOWED: 3HOURS**

**INSTRUCTION: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER THREE**

1a. Discuss the importance of the following concepts in educational research:

1. Assumptions
2. Delimitation
3. Definition of terms

b. i. What is a research proposal?

 ii. Why is a research proposal important in a research?

(25 marks)

2. Literature review is said to be important in a study. Identify the roles of literature review in guiding the researcher to a meaningful study. (15 marks).

3a. Explain why educational research is said to have a specific plan of procedure.

b. Identify the various components of that plan of procedure for an educational research.

(15 marks)

4a. Describe a Case Study.

b. List three (3) methods of data gathering processes in a case study. (15 marks).

5a. Define population as used in a research study.

b. Identify and explain four (4) components of population that a researcher should specify in his/her population of study (15 marks).