



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS
2023_1 POP EXAMINATION.**

SUBJECT TITLE: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

SUBJECT CODE: ECO715

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTIONS ONE AND ANY OTHER THREE QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 1

- (a). Discuss five (5) differences between Research Method and Methodology **(10marks)**
 - (b). Differentiate between Quantitative and Qualitative research. **(10marks)**
 - (c). Differentiate between descriptive and explanatory research. **(5marks)**
- (25MARKS)**

QUESTION 2

- (a). Discuss the philosophical foundation of research. **(10marks)**
 - (b) Discuss the importance of research hypotheses in research. **(5marks)**
- (15MARKS)**

QUESTION 3

- (a). Briefly differentiate between Primary and secondary data analysis. **(5marks)**
 - (b). Discuss why is it important to do a literature review in research and outline the content of a literature review in Economics as a field of study. **(10marks)**
- (15MARKS)**

QUESTION 4

- (a). List and explain the methods of collecting primary data. **(6marks)**
 - (b). Explain the term time series data. **(4marks)**
 - (c). List and explain five (5) differences between quantitative and qualitative data. **(5marks)**
- (15MARKS)**

QUESTION 5

- (a). Briefly explain the term research design. **(5marks)**
 - (b). List and explain five (5) types of research design. **(10marks)**
- (15MARKS)**