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DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINOLOGY & SECURITY STUDIES (CSS)
FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
2020_1 Examination

COURSE CODE: CSS 753

COURSE TITLE: Research Method in Criminology

CREDIT UNIT: 3

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: In all, answer **four out of six** of the questions. However, question **ONE (1)** is **COMPULSORY** and carries 25 marks.

- 1a. Give two clear definition of science that you have been taught (10 marks).
- 1b. What are the three (3) special characteristics of Science 5 marks).
- 1c. What are the two (2) pillars of Science? (10 marks).

- 2a. List and discuss the six (6) sources of general knowledge (6 marks).
- 2b. Identify the five (5) characteristics of the Scientific Method (9 marks)

- 3a. What do you understand by research process?
- 3b. The research process consists of seven (7) main stages. List and discuss each of them.
(15 marks)

- 4a. List five (5) types of errors in social research and the ways in which science provides safe guards against the errors.
- 4b. Identify and discuss two ways (2) by which a researcher chooses his topic of Inquiry.
(15 marks)

- 5a. What are the three (3) crucial criteria to be considered in choosing a topic for research?
- 5b. Itemize five characteristics of research problem.
(15 marks)

- 6a. What does statement of the problem in a research mean to you (5marks)
- 6b. Define hypothesis? (5 marks).
- 6c. List the 5 constituents of effective hypothesis (5marks)