

# **MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY**

## **REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS**

## 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

### FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

# SCHOOL OF NATURAL RESOURCES, TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY

#### MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT

#### **COURSE CODE: EPM 8106**

## COURSE TITLE: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY AND COMMUNICATION

DATE: 1/2/2024

TIME: 1100-1300 HRS

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer ALL questions in section A and any other THREE in section B.

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#### SECTION A: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

- 1. Write short notes on content analysis as a research method (4 Marks)
- 2. Explain the types of research instruments and the advantages and disadvantages of each type (6 Marks)
- 3. State and explain three types of research designs (6 Marks)
- 4. Explain the common ethical considerations in research involving human subjects (3 Marks)
- 5. Discuss the strengths and limitations of conducting interviews as a qualitative research method (6 marks)

#### **SECTION B: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS (15MKS EACH)**

- 6. Using specific examples, discuss sampling techniques used in research (15 Marks)
- 7. Discuss the common statistical tests used in quantitative data analysis (15 Marks)
- Discuss the elements that should be included in the discussion chapter of your thesis (15 Marks)
- Discuss how you would communicate the research findings to academic and non-academic audiences (15 Marks)

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