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UNIVERSITY REGULAR EXAMINATIONS

2013 /2014 ACADEMIC YEAR

3RD YEAR 2ND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

(MAIN EXAMINATION)

FOR THE BACHOLERS DEGREE IN RELIGION

COURSE CODE: REL 329

COURSE TITLE: RESEARCH METHODS

DATE: 17TH APRIL, 2014

TIME: 9.00AM – 12.00 NOON

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

Answer any TWO Questions from each section

SECTION A

1. Explain the characteristics of a research.
2. Discuss types of research.
3. Describe challenges in the study of religion.
4. Describe special research methods in the study of religion.

SECTION B.

5. (a) What is a research design?
(b) Describe main features of an ethnographic design in research.
(c) Outline vital features of an action research.
(d) Differentiate between gender and sex roles.
6. (a) Describe a research proposal.
(b) Outline four importance of a research proposal.
(c) Discuss any five parts of a research proposal.
7. (a) State factors that should be considered in sampling.
(b) Outline four measures that you would consider to enhance validity and reliability of a questionnaire.
(c) What are the advantages of an interview schedule over a questionnaire.
(d) Name any steps involved in data analysis.
8. (a) Explain four types of academic writing.
(b) Describe the difference between the endnote/footnote and a parenthetical reference.
(c) Discuss the main differences between bibliographical and reference list.