



**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
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**THIRD YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF
THE BACHELORS OF ARTS IN CRIMINOLOGY AND PEACE STUDIES
SECOND SEMESTER 2024/2025
(AUGUST, 2025)**

BPPS 325: SOCIAL RESEARCH METHODS

STREAM: Y3 S2

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY: MONDAY, 12.00 – 2.00 P M

DATE: 18/08/2025

INSTRUCTIONS:

***1. Do not write anything on this question paper.
Answer Question ONE And Any Other Two questions.***

QUESTION ONE

- a) A research proposal is the main component of a research project. Critically examine the components of good a research proposal. (10mark s)
- b) Citing relevant examples identify and discuss tools of data collection in social science research. (10mks)
- c) Write short notes on the following
- i. Target population
 - ii. Sample size
 - iii. Research design
 - iv. Reliability
 - v. Validity
- (10mks)

QUESTION TWO

Identify and describe any four types of research designs used in social science research. (20 marks)

QUESTION THREE

The review of relevant literature is paramount for a success in any study.
Discuss the qualities of a good literature review (20mks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Statement of the problem is a key component of research. Discuss its importance in research. (10mks)
- b) Identify and discuss the levels of measurements in social science research. (10mks)

QUESTION FIVE

Identify and discuss types of scientific research in social science. (20 mks)