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**FACULTY OF HUMANITIES, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

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**DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**EXAMINATION PAPER**

**Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Development Studies, Level 2.2**

**COURSE CODE** : ADS 223  
**COURSE TITLE** : Research Methods  
**DURATION** : 3 Hours 26 SEP 2025  
**DATE** :

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:**

1. Section A question is compulsory.
2. Answer any other TWO questions from Section B.
3. Each question carries equal marks.
4. Start each question on a new page of your answer sheet.

## SECTION A

1. Design a research proposal providing all key details which will make your write up very good. The write up should have a relevant development science topic, proper sub-topics and numbering which you learnt.

## SECTION B

2. There are a number of key ethical standards in research. Define research ethics, identify three and show how a researcher use them to protect research participants from harm
3. Literature review is important in research. Write why and how it is written.
4. Discuss strengths and weaknesses of a Focus Group Discussion in data collection.
5. Debate the critical role of research in development sciences.

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