UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

DEPARTMENT OF ADULT EDUCATION

PART-TIME CERTIFICATE IN ADULT EDUCATION YEAR IV

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER, JULY 2016

TITLE OF PAPER: RESEARCH METHODS IN ADULT EDUCATION

COURSE CODE: IDE-BAE412

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: 1.   ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS FROM SECTION A.

2.   ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS FROM SECTION B.

3.   ALL QUESTIONS IN SECTION B CARRY EQUAL MARKS.

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SECTION A: COMPULSORY

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER <u>ALL</u> QUESTION

QUESTION 1

What are the characteristics of a normal distribution curve? Give examples of phenomenon that can be expected to be normally distributed. (15 marks)

QUESTION 2

Why is it important to follow-up non-responses from mail questionnaires and how should this be done? (10 marks)

SECTION B: ANSWER <u>ANY THREE</u> QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 3

Discuss the disadvantages of mail questionnaires and face-to-face interviews. (25 marks)

QUESTION 4

Show the difference and similarity between the proposal and research report outlines.
(25 marks)

QUESTION 5

You are a Social Worker who has been asked by the Social Welfare Department to conduct a community survey on poverty in an impoverished area. The Department has allocated you transport and any equipment that you may need in conducting the study.

What data collection techniques and instruments would you use and why? (25 marks)

QUESTION 6

Using the deviation score method calculate the standard deviation of the following: (Work out the mean to the nearest whole number).

X

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13
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21 (25 marks)