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**FINAL EXAMINATIONS PAPER MAY 2014**

**TITLE OF PAPER:** QUALITATIVE RESEARCH METHODS

**COURSE NUMBER:** EDF 651

**TIME ALLOWED:** THREE (3) HOURS

**INSTRUCTIONS:** THERE ARE TWO SECTIONS IN THIS PAPER –  
SECTIONS A AND B.

SECTION A IS COMPULSORY. CHOOSE TWO  
QUESTIONS FROM SECTION B

TOTAL MARK ALLOCATION: 100

**Do not open until told to do so by the chief invigilator**

## SECTION A: COMPULSORY

Supposing a group of students needed your assistance on how to prepare a research proposal how you would describe its various important sections (chapters) for them?  
(40 marks)

1. Section 1 (15 marks)
2. Section 2 (10 marks)
3. Section 3 (15 marks)

## SECTION B

**Answer any two (2) questions from this section.**

### **Question 1 (30 marks)**

Identify and discuss three (3) qualitative research design strategies you studied.

### **Question 2 (30 marks)**

Describe three (3) of the following in relation to qualitative research:

1. Data collection
2. Sampling
3. Data analysis
4. Ethical considerations

### **Question 3 (30 marks)**

Explain the differences between qualitative and quantitative research. Give concrete examples.