



# UNIVERSITY OF ESWATINI

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FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY AND SOCIAL WORK

COURSE CODE: SOC311

TITLE OF PAPER: QUALITATIVE SOCIAL RESEARCH METHODS

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

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## Instructions

1. This paper consists of Section (A) and (B).
2. Section A is compulsory.
3. Answer any three questions from Section B.

## Special Requirements

None

## Additional Material (s)

None

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## SECTION – A: COMPULSORY

### QUESTION 1

Briefly describe the different steps involved in a research process.

## SECTION – B: ANSWER ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS

### QUESTION 2

Enlist different methods of data collection in qualitative research. Suggest and discuss the most suitable data collection method for conducting an enquiry on a family welfare programme in Eswatini

### QUESTION 3

Under what circumstances would you recommend:

- (a) A probability sample?
- (b) A non-probability sample?
- (c) A stratified sample?
- (d) A cluster sample?

### QUESTION 4

What is research ethics and how do you envisage important areas of scientific dishonesty?

### QUESTION 5

What is research a problem? Define the main issues which should receive the attention of the researcher in formulating the research problem. Give suitable examples to elucidate your points.

### QUESTION 6

Define grounded theory and explain its key features by taking an example of '*Grief Process*'