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**MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
MAIN EXAMINATION**

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS  
2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEAR  
SCHOOL BASED**

**FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS  
FOR THE DEGREE**

**OF**

**BACHELOR OF EDUCATION IN EARLY CHILDHOOD  
EDUCATION**

**COURSE CODE: ECD 403**

**COURSE TITLE: RESEARCH AND FAMILY STUDIES**

**DATE: 20/4/2022**

**TIME: 2.00-5.00PM**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

**ANSWER QUESTION ONE (1) AND ANY OTHER TWO (2)  
QUESTIONS**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

MMUST observes ZERO tolerance to examination cheating

### QUESTION ONE

- a) Discuss the difference between qualitative and quantitative research. (9 marks)
- b) Explain three (3) methods used in collecting qualitative data. (6 marks)
- c) State three (3) statements that explain the significance of a research proposal (3 marks)
- d) Explain four (4) challenges a researcher is likely to encounter during the research process (4 marks)
- e) Using practical examples, describe four (4) research designs, listing one advantage and one disadvantage of each. (8 marks)

### QUESTION TWO

- a) As a researcher, discuss the various guidelines you would consider while sampling respondents for your research study. (10 marks)
- b) For every research to be successful, research ethics is crucial. Discuss. (10 marks)

### QUESTION THREE

Discuss the structure and content of chapter three (3) of your proposal. (20 marks)

### QUESTION FOUR

- a) What is your understanding of literature review? (2 marks)
- b) State the pros and cons of any three (3) sources of literature review. (8 marks)
- c) Discuss any five (5) purposes of literature review. (10 marks)