



(University Of Choice)

**MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
(MMUST)**

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

MAIN EXAM

THIRD YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

**FOR THE DEGREE
OF MASTER OF ARTS IN RELIGION**

COURSE CODE: REL 801

COURSE TITLE: RESEARCH METHODS

DATE: 13/12/2023 TIME: 03:00 – 06:00PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS

TIME: 3 HOURS

**MMUST OBSERVES ZERO TOLERANCE TO EXAMINATION
CHEATING**

1. How would you ensure that your intended research is exhaustive at the initial planning stage of the research proposal. (20 Marks)

2. Describe how you would carry out sampling in a given research about undergraduate students of religion in MMUST? (20 Marks)

3. By use of examples, discuss the main differences between bibliographical and reference list formats in citation. (20 Marks)

4. What are the major challenges in the study of religion and how would you turn them into opportunities in research in religion? (20 Marks)

5. a) What is a research design? (05 Marks)

b) Describe main features of an action research design and how you would apply them in research. (15 Marks)

6. Write a brief hypothetical concept paper for an intended research in an area of your own choice emphasizing the major steps. (20 Marks)