



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA  
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE  
FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES  
2019\_1 EXAMINATION QUESTIONS

COURSE CODE: POL301

COURSE TITLE: Research Methods in Political Science

CREDIT UNIT: 3

TME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS

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1. Discuss the relevance of research to the study of Political Science. (17.5 marks)

1. What are the necessary steps to take in choosing a researchable topic? (17.5 marks)

1. What is a research design? Discuss the types and components of a research design.

(17.5 marks)

1. Discuss with concrete examples the four main procedures of data collection . (17.5 marks)

1. Discuss the components of an academic Research Proposal. (17.5 marks)

1. (a) What is a theory? (5 marks)

(b) Discuss the role of theory in research. (12.5 marks)

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