



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA**

**Faculty of Arts**

**University Village, Nnamdi Azikiwe Express,  
Plot 91, Cadastral Zone, Jabi, Abuja**

**2021\_1 EXAMINATION**

**Programme: B. A. Islamic Studies**  
**Name of Subject: Islamic Studies**  
**Course/Title: ISL 801: Research Methods**

**3.0 Units**

**Time Allowed: 3 hrs**

Instruction to candidates: **Answer any four questions**

1. Elaborate various types of academic research  
(18 marks/ 45 Min.)
2. When selecting a research problem or topic, there are a number of criteria to keep in mind for a successful research experience. Examine these criteria.  
(17 marks/ 45 Min.)
3. Elaborate the four steps involved in conducting a literature review.  
(18 marks/ 45 Min.)
4. Explain the concept of plagiarism and its effect on the integrity and credibility of research work.  
(17 marks/ 45 Min.)
5. Identify some computer software programmes that can be used for data analysis in Quantitative Research Design.  
(17 marks/ 45 Min.)