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**2024\_2 EXAMINATION**

<b>COURSE CODE:</b>	<b>CRS 471</b>
<b>COURSE TITLE:</b>	<b>RESEARCH METHODS</b>
<b>CREDIT UNIT:</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>TIME ALLOWED:</b>	<b>2 HOURS</b>
<b>INSTRUCTION:</b>	<b>ANSWER ANY THREE OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS</b>

1. Discuss four contents of a research proposal. (40min. 23marks).
2. (a) Define 'Literature Review' (7min. 3marks), (b) and explain five aims (13min. 10marks), (c) and three types of literature review (12min. 6marks), (d) and two qualities (8min. 4marks).
3. (a) Define 'research ethics'(8min. 3marks) (b) and discuss the following ethical issues/principles of research:
  - Confidentiality/participant anonymity
  - Covert research
  - Voluntary participation (20min. 12marks), (c) and give four reasons why openness is imperative in research (12min. 8marks).
4. (a) Define the terms 'internet and internet search engines' (10min. 5marks), (b) explain three problems associated with the former (10min. 6marks) (c) and give five advantages and disadvantages of the latter (20min. 12marks).