



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE
FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
2024_2 EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE: POL 301
COURSE TITLE: RESEARCH METHODS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE
CREDIT UNIT: 3
INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS
TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS
ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS
LOGICAL PRESENTATION AND GOOD ENGLISH 2^{1/2} MARKS

1. Write short notes on the following concept
 - i. Applied Research
 - ii. Basic Research.
- 1b. State five (5) importance of Research
- 1c. State the three (3) principles of the Positivism Approach
- 1d. What is Empiricism
2. State the five stages of theory before conducting Research according to Karl Popper
- 2b. List and explain the two (2) elements of Philosophy in Social Science Research.
3. Explain the three Criteria of Statement of Problem in Social Science discipline? (23.3)
4. Write short notes on any three (3)
 - i. Simple random sampling
 - ii. Systematic sampling
 - i. Stratified Sampling
 - ii. Cluster/area sampling
 - iii. Quota Sampling
 - iv. Accidental/convenience sampling
- 5a. Define Model?
- 5b. list and explain the major types of Models.