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**FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**  
**DEPARTMENT OF PEACE STUDIES AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION**  
**2025\_1 EXAMINATION**

**COURSE CODE: PCR 312**

**COURSE TITLE: RESEARCH METHODS IN PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION**

**TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS.**

**INSTRUCTION: Answer any four questions. All questions carry equal Marks**

1. (a) Define and explain ‘sample and sampling’ in research  
(b) Explain three (3) Importance of sampling in Research  
(c) What do you understand by Validation of Instrument in research? (17.5 marks).
2. (a) Explain the term “variable” in research work  
(b) List and explain any three types of research variable you know. (17.5 Marks)
3. (a) Explain the term Literature Review in peace studies research project work  
(b) Explain (Four) 4 of functions of literature review in research project work (17.5 marks).
4. Explain each of the following variables in peace research:
  - a. Research design (3.32 marks).
  - b. Primary sources of data (3.32 marks).
  - c. Secondary sources of data (3.32 marks).
  - d. Nominal data (3.32 marks).
  - e. Ordinary data (3.32 marks).
5. (a) Examine the term “Research Ethic”  
(b) Discuss any Five (5) Importance of Research Ethic in Research  
(17.5 Marks)
6. (a)What do you understand by the term Data Collection in research?  
(b) List and explain the two major sources of Data collection in research in peace study.  
(c) Explain three types of Data Collection in research methods (17.5 marks).