



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2024/2025 Academic Year

**SCHOOL OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY AND SPECIAL NEEDS
EDUCATION**

**FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DEGREE IN
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION)**

ESN 420: RESEARCH IN SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION

DATE: 21ST JANUARY, 2025

TIME: 11.00 AM – 1.00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Identify five purposes of research in Special Needs Education. (10 Marks)
- b) Explain five qualities of an effective research title. (10 Marks)
- c) Discuss five advantages of sampling. (10 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Outline six characteristics of a good research problem. (6 Marks)
- b) Explain seven sources of research problems in Special Needs Education. (14 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain four factors to consider during data collection. (8 Marks)
- b) Discuss six factors to consider during the selection of respondents. (12 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss four sources of primary literature. (8 Marks)
- b) Examine six techniques for good question construction during the preparation of a questionnaire. (12 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain three factors that determine the feasibility of a research problem. (6 Marks)
- b) Explain seven qualities of an effective background to the study. (14 Marks)