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DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (APPLIED LINGUISTICS)

AEN 900: RESEARCH METHODS IN APPLIED LINGUISTICS

DATE: 23/8/2019

TIME: 10:00 – 1:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One (Compulsory) and Any Other Two Questions

1. Generate and discuss the contemporary issues that may be the subject of applied linguistics research in any two of the following domains.
 - i) Sociolinguistics
 - ii) Language planning
 - iii) Language and technology

(20 marks)
2. A good research problem in the field of applied linguistics is a result of rigorous critical imagination. Taking a hypothetical case for illustration, unpack this statement.

(20 marks)
3. Advance a case for the mixed research design in an applied linguistics study topic concept are currently working on.

(20 marks)
4. A good literature review should expose the critical issues in a linguistic study. Discuss with suitable illustrations.

(20 marks)
5. Sampling procedures in applied linguistics research should embrace representativeness. Advance an argument on this assertion.

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