



**University of Kelaniya – Sri Lanka**

***Centre for Distance and Continuing Education***

**Bachelor of Arts (General) Degree Third Examination (External) – 2019**

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**Faculty of Social Sciences**

**Sociology (New/ Old Syllabus)**

**Social Research Methods – SOCI - E 3025**

**Answer five (05) questions only**

**No. of questions : 08**

**Time : 03 Hours**

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01. Explain what research is while comparing distinctive characteristics of natural science research and social science research.
  02. Describe main types of social research and explain how qualitative research differs from quantitative research.
  03. Do a basic introduction about the use of case study method and describe the stages of a case study design.
  04. Explain the facts that should be considered for writing field notes and observational notes when using participant observation as one of main techniques of field data collection in social research.
  05. How do you explain sampling theory? What are the key sampling methods that can be identified under the probability sampling?
  06. Describe main steps of a research proposal.
  07. Describe the importance of adhering to research ethics in a research process as a quality researcher.
  08. Write sociological notes on any **two (02)** topics given below.
    1. Survey method
    2. Questionnaire as a data collecting technique
    3. Basic elements of a research report
    4. Categorization of sciences

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