

**MASTER OF ARTS IN DISTANCE EDUCATION  
(MADE)**

**Term-End Examination**

**December, 2014**

**ES-315 : RESEARCH FOR DISTANCE  
EDUCATION**

*Time : 3 hours*

*Maximum Weightage : 75%*

- Note :** (i) *Attempt all the three questions.*  
(ii) *All the three questions carry equal weightage.*

1. Answer **any one** of the following in about 1200 words :
  - (a) Explain briefly the importance of formulating a hypothesis for research. Highlight the various forms in relation to different types of research with suitable examples.
  - (b) Discuss the limitations of scientific approach in education, support your answer with suitable examples.
2. Answer **any four** of the following in about 300 words each.
  - (a) Elaborate the parameters of evaluating a research report.
  - (b) Explain the characteristics of Normal Probability Curve.
  - (c) Differentiate between external and internal criticism in a historical research.

- (d) Discuss the need for having a control group in an experimental research.
  - (e) Explain the importance of using an interview over a questionnaire.
  - (f) Elaborate the emerging areas of research in distance education.
3. Answer **any one** of the following questions in about **1200** words.
- (a) Identify the research gap in the area of distance education. Highlight its significance and detail out how you will approach to reduce this research gap ?
  - (b) What is subjectivity and objectivity in educational research ? Illustrate your answer with suitable examples.
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