Module Code	:	AD-2303		
Module Title	:	Applied Research Methods in Social Sciences		
Programme	:	Bachelor of Arts		
Type of Module	:	Major Option/ Breadth		
Modular Credits	:	4	**Student Workload:** **Contact Hours:**	8 – 10 hours per week 2 hours per week
Prerequisite	:	None		
Anti-requisite	:	AV-2310		

Aims :

This module is designed to equip students with the knowledge and skills to formulate appropriate research questions and employ appropriate research methods. By the end of this module, students should be able to formulate research questions, aims and objectives, carry out research and address and assess the strengths and weaknesses of their research. The students are expected to produce a small piece of independent research in the second half of the semester.

This module acts as a pre-requisite to those students intending to carry out independent research within the Geography & Development programme.

Module Content :

Formulating research questions

- Conducting literature review and analysis of published papers
- Interviewing – methods and issues
- Designing and implementing research projects
- Transcription, coding and analysis of qualitative data
- Using spatial techniques in research

Assessment :	**Examination :**	**0%**	**Coursework :**	**100%**
			Developing and implementing a questionnaire	10%
			Literature review	10%
			Project proposal	10%
			Project report	70%

Textbook(s) References :

Burton, D. (2000). *Research training for social scientists*. London: Sage.

De Vaus, D.A. (1991). *Surveys in social research*, (3rd ed.). London: UCL Press Limited.

Dorsten, L.E. (2004). *Research methods and society*. New Jersey: Prentice Hall,.

Mutchnick, R.J. (1994). *Research methods for the social sciences*: Practice and Applications. Boston: Allyn and Bacon.