Module Code	AH-2206		
Module Title	Research Methods in International Studies		
Degree/Diploma	Bachelor of Arts (History and International Studies)		
Type of Module	Major Core		
Modular Credits	4	**Total Student Workload**	8 hours/week
		Contact Hours	4 hours/week
Prerequisite	None		
Anti-requisite	None		

Aims

The module aims to introduce various concepts, theories and research designs that are used in the study on international affairs. It will discuss both positivist and non-positivist approaches to research as well as provide tools and techniques to conduct qualitative and quantitative data analysis.

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this module, a student will be expected to be able to:

Lower order:	10%	- Describe the research paradigms and methodologies used in international studies
Middle order:	10%	- Identify the various ethical and philosophical considerations when conducting research.
Higher order:	80%	- Argue the merits and demerits of various conceptual tools and different methods that can be used to conduct research. - Apply the theories, concepts and research tools in the conduct of actual research in international studies. - Argue convincingly on the adoption of a research tool and the reason on embarking a particular research - Advocate the types of research and the employment of methods to best measure the research.

Module Contents

- Philosophy of research
- Ethics in research and understanding the research process
- Different paradigms of research and its relevance to international studies
- Quantitative Research, designs and methods
- Interpreting quantitative data
- Qualitative research designs and methods
- Interpretation of qualitative data

Assessment	Formative Assessment	Weekly assessment and feedback
	Summative Assessment	Examination: None
		Coursework: 100% 2 Class Tests (25% each) 1 individual presentation (20%) 1 individual research project (30%)