



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE
2025_1 EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE: POL. 312

COURSE TITLE: LOGIC AND METHODS OF POLITICAL INQUIRY

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS

CREDIT UNIT – 3

TIME ALLOWED: 2HOURS

1. Discuss the concept of generalization and its utility to political science?
2. ‘One of the reasons for a Political Scientist taking an interest in explanation is the fact that all Political Scientists have to predict’. Discuss.
3. There is a close connection between logic, approaches and methods of political inquiry. Nonetheless, the aforementioned concepts bear slight differences. Distinguish the difference between logic and an approach in the field of inquiry?
4. Discuss the concept of positivist paradigm and its major fundamental assumption?
5. What is Data?

5b. write short notes on the following:

6. What is traditional political inquiry?