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(For the candidates admitted during the academic year 2023-2024)

Tool Course : ADVANCED RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

Course code: MED3TC003

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 70

SECTION A (10 x 1 = 10 marks)

Answer ALL the questions by selecting the appropriate answers.

1. A null hypothesis is
 - a) A hypothesis that is always false
 - b) A hypothesis that can never be tested
 - c) A statement that there is no effect or difference
 - d) A statement predicting the outcome of an experiment
2. Type I error is
 - a) Rejecting the null hypothesis when it is true
 - b) Failing to reject the null hypothesis when it is false
 - c) Accepting the alternative hypothesis when it is false
 - d) Failing to accept the null hypothesis when it is false
3. A one-tailed test is appropriate when
 - a) The research hypothesis does not predict the direction of the effect
 - b) The researcher predicts the effect in a specific direction
 - c) The researcher is unsure about the outcome
 - d) There are two hypotheses being tested
4. A characteristic of a good dissertation is
 - a) Extensive use of jargon
 - b) Ambiguous research questions
 - c) Lack of references
 - d) Coherence and clarity
5. The one which is not considered as scientific misconduct is
 - a) Falsification
 - b) Plagiarism
 - c) Publication of data without redundancy
 - d) Fabrication
6. The primary difference between parametric and non-parametric tests is
 - a) Parametric tests do not assume normal distribution
 - b) Non-parametric tests assume homogeneity of variance
 - c) Parametric tests make assumptions about population parameters
 - d) Non-parametric tests cannot be used with large samples
7. In qualitative data analysis, coding refers to
 - a) A method for generating statistical tests

- b) The process of labelling and organizing qualitative data
 - c) A step in testing hypotheses in quantitative data
 - d) A way of reducing bias in scientific misconduct
8. A publication misconduct is
- a) Transparency in methodology
 - b) Fragmentation
 - c) Citing relevant sources approximately
 - d) Conflict of Interest disclosure
9. In hypothesis testing, the p-value represents
- a) The probability of observing the data if the null hypothesis is true
 - b) The probability that the alternative hypothesis is true
 - c) The probability of making a Type I error
 - d) The probability that the null hypothesis is false
10. APA stands for:
- a) American Publication Association
 - b) American Psychiatry Association
 - c) American Psychological Association
 - d) Association of Publishers in America

SECTION B (5 x 3 = 15 marks)

Answer all the FIVE questions in about 100 words each.

- 11. Demonstrate instances that require two tailed test and one tailed test.
- 12. What are the signs of a poorly organized dissertation?
- 13. Write your familiarity with the tools for checking plagiarism.
- 14. What are the different reference styles? Illustrate any one.
- 15. How does the use of research language brings a formal tone in research reporting?

SECTION C (5 x 5 = 25 marks)

Answer any FIVE questions in about 200 words each.

- 16. How can you promote intellectual honesty among researchers?
- 17. Calculate ANOVA for the following data.

Group	Student 1	Student 2	Student 3	Student 4	Student 5
Method A	68	75	80	70	78
Method B	85	88	82	90	86
Method C	78	74	69	72	76

- 18. Illustrate the steps in qualitative data analysis.
- 19. How will you ensure ethics in your research?
- 20. Justify the applications of parametric and non-parametric tests.

21. Explain the ways to avoid publication misconduct.
22. What is redundant publication? Explain.

SECTION D (2 x 10 = 20 marks)

Answer BOTH the questions in about 500 words each.

23. a) Illustrate the procedure of hypothesis testing with an example.
(or)
b) What are Type I and Type II errors in hypothesis testing? How can they be controlled?
24. a) Analyze the impact of scientific misconduct on research integrity.
(or)
b) Determine if there is a significant association between the types of teaching method used (Method A, Method B, Method C) and student outcomes (Pass or Fail) using the data given.

Teaching method	Pass	Fail	Total
A	35	15	50
B	40	10	50
C	30	20	50
TOTAL	105	45	150