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<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	: Anthropology and Development Studies
<u>CAMPUS</u>	: APK
<u>MODULE</u>	: SPD9X04 : Advanced Research Methods in Social Policy and Development
<u>SEMESTER</u>	: SECOND
<u>EXAM</u>	: NOVEMBER 2021

<u>DATE</u>	: 5 NOVEMBER	<u>SESSION</u>	: 12h00
<u>ASSESSOR(S)</u>	: PROF L GRAHAM : PROF A		
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INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Write an essay that responds to ALL THE QUESTIONS.
 2. Exam must be submitted through Turn-it-in before 12h00 noon 5 November 2021.
 3. Ensure the cover sheet provided to you is completed and appended to the front of your exam essay.
 4. Label the file name of your submission as follows: "SURNAME EXAM SUBMISSION"
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Choose ONE of the following case studies to conduct your review on.

- Ismail, Z & Ulriksen, M. (2017). "Social assistance and electoral choice: A citizen perspective" in Patel, L & Ulriksen, M. (eds). Development, Social Policy and Community Action. Cape Town: HSRC Press
- Mavungu, E., Brils, F. & Beernik, M. (2017). "How does the Child Support Grant affect father participation in parenting?" in Patel, L & Ulriksen, M. (eds). Development, Social Policy and Community Action. Cape Town: HSRC Press

Write an essay in which you critically assess the study from a methodological point of view, paying particular attention to the appropriateness of the study design, data collection methods, sampling strategies, analysis methods and conclusions drawn. You should also comment on the ethical approach of the study and questions of rigour.

The following questions can guide your essay. DO NOT answer question by question. These are posed for your guidance. Rather you should craft an ESSAY in which you construct an academic argument regarding the quality of the study.

1. Was the research design selected appropriate to the question being asked?
2. Were the data collection methods appropriately selected and applied?
3. Was the sampling method appropriate?
4. Was the analysis method used appropriate for the purpose of the study?
5. Was the study conducted ethically?
6. Are the conclusions appropriate to the methods selected?
7. What is your assessment of the rigour of the study?
8. What is your overall assessment of the study (strengths/weaknesses)

Ensure that you demonstrate your reasoning and substantiate your standpoint by referring to appropriate prescribed and recommended readings.

Your essay should be no longer than 4000 words (4-5 pages).