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| Sl. No. | Course | Paper Title | Credits |
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| 1. | Course 1 | Research Methodology | 4 |
| 2. | Course 2 | Emerging Trends in Sociology | 4 |
| 3. | Course 3 | Logic & Philosophy of Social Science | 4 |
| 4. | Course 4 | Dissertation | 4 |

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Pre-Ph.D. Course

| Subject: Common for all faculties | | |
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| Course Code: C-1 | Course Title: Research Methodology | Theory |

Course Objectives: The main objective of this paper is to:

- 1. Identify and discuss the role and importance of research.
- 2. Identify and discuss the issues and concepts salient to the research process.
- 3. Identify and discuss the complex issues inherent in selecting a research problem, selecting an appropriate research design, and implementing a research project.
- 4. Identify and discuss the concepts and procedures of sampling, data collection, analysis and reporting.

Course Outcomes: At the end of this course, the students should be able to:

- CO1. Understand some basic concepts of research and its methodologies.
- CO2. Explain key research concepts and issues read, comprehend and explain research articles in their academic discipline.
- CO3. Select and define appropriate research problem and parameters.
- CO4. Organize and conduct research (advanced project) in a more appropriate manner.
- CO5. Write a research report and thesis.
- CO6. Write a research proposal (grants).

| Credits: 4 | Core Compulsory |
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| Max. Marks: 100 | Min. Pass Marks:55 |

Total No. of Lectures-Tutorial (in hours per week): L-T: 4-1

| Block | Units | No. of Lectures 60 |
|-------|---|--------------------------|
| I | Perception & Definition of Research, Objectives & Motivations of Research, Importance of Research, Types of Research, Research Methods versus Methodology, Process of Research; Review of Literature, Formulation of the Research Problem, Sources and Identification of a Research Problem, Status of the Research Problem, Formulation of Hypothesis, Research Design, | 1 |
| II | Outlines of Synopsis; Project Proposal, Project Report Writing; Research Paper Writing; Components of Research Reports; Thesis Writing: Outlines of Thesis, Reference citing, Formats of Writing References, Bibliography; Plagiarism. | 12 |
| Ш | Intellectual Property (IP), Intellectual Property Rights (IPR), Intellectual Property Law, Different fields of Intellectual Property Rights, Patents, Publication Ethics: Definitions importance Conflicts of Interest, Publication Misconduct Definition, Concept, Problems that lead to Unethical Behavior and vice versa, Types of identification of publication misconduct, Complaints and Appeals; Violation of publication ethics, Authorship and Contributorship; Predatory Publishers and Journals. | |
| IV | Web Browsers, Search Engines, MS Word: Handling Graphs, Tables and Charts, Formatting in MS-Word, MS Power Point: Creating Slide Show, Screen Layout and Views, Applying Design Template, MS Excel: Features, Formulas and Functions. | |
| v | Subject Classification Index, Citation, Citation Index, Impact Factor, h- index, i-10index, INFLIBNET, Introduction to Peer Reviewed and Open Access Journals, e-Journals, e-Library, Research Databases, Institute for Scientific Information (ISI) & Journal Citation Reports, Science Citation Index (SCI), Social Sciences Citation Index (SSCI), Arts and Humanities Citation Index (AHCI), Databases: UGC care list, Web of Science (WoS), Scopus. | 12 |

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Teaching Learning Process: Class discussions/ demonstrations, Power Point presentations, Class activities / assignments, Field visits., Internship, etc.

Suggested Readings:

- 1. **Creswell. W.**: Research Design, Qualitative, Quantitative and Mixed Methods Approaches (3rdEdition), SAGE, Inc., 2018.
- 2. Gupta. S: Research Methodology: Methods and Statistical Techniques, Deep & Deep Publications, 2010.
- 3. Gupta. S.P.: Statistical Methods, Sultan Chand &Sons, 2014.
- 4. Kumar. R: Research Methodology: A Step-by-Step Guide for Beginners (3rd Edition), SAGE, Inc., 2011.
- 5. **Melville. S. and Goddard. W.:** Research Methodology: An Introduction (2nd edition) Juta Academic, 2004.
- 6. Shortis, T.: The Language of ICT: Information and Communication Technology, Taylor & Francis, 2016.
- 7. Research Methodology: Methods and Techniques by C.R. Kothari, Second revised edition
- 8. Research Methodology: A step by step guide for beginners by Ranjit Kumar
- 9. Research methodology: Methods and Statistical techniques, by Santosh Gupta
- 10. Statistical Methods, by S.P. Gupta
- 11. Research Design, Qualitative, Quantitative and mixed method approaches, by W. Creswell, 3rd edition.
- 12. Information Communication Technology, by Tim Shorts Handbook of Communication and Social Interaction Skills, by John O. Green, Brant Raney Burleson
- 13. शोधप्रविधि- डॉ॰ विनय मोहन शर्मा
- 14. अनुसंधान प्रविधि, सिद्धांत और प्रक्रिया- एस० एन० गणेशन
- 15. अनुसंधान प्रविधि डॉ॰ एस॰ एन॰ राय
- 16. अनुसंधान की प्रविधि एवं प्रक्रिया- डॉ॰ राजेन्द्र मिश्र
- 17. साहित्य अनुशीलन: विभिन्न दृष्टियां डॉ॰ दयाशंकर शुक्ल
- 18. अनुसंधान प्रविधि और प्रक्रिया डॉ॰ मुधखराटे / डॉ॰ शिवाजी देवरे

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| Subject: Sociology | | |
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| Course Code: C-2 | Course Title: Emerging Trends in Sociology | Theory paper |

Course Objectives: The main objective of this paper is to

1. Identify and discuss the role and importance of Sociology.

2. Identify and discuss the issues and concepts of Sociological importance.

- 3. Identify and discuss the complex issues inherent in contemporary Sociological issues of the society.
- 4. To study the difference between the conceptual and theoretical framework of sociological research.

Course Outcomes: At the end of this course, the students should be able to:

- CO1. Understand some basic various concepts of sociological research and its methodologies.
- CO2. Explain key research concepts and issues to understand, comprehend, and explain research articles in their academic discipline.
- CO3. Select and define appropriate research issues and their parameters.
- CO4. Organize and conduct research in a more appropriate manner.
- CO5. Write a research report on sociological phenomenon.

CO6. Write research gaps.

| Credits: 4 | Core Compulsory / Elective | |
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| Max. Marks: 100 | Min. Pass Marks:55 | |

Any five units among the following will be selected for teaching.

| Block | Units | No. of Lectures (Total sum = 60) |
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| 1. | Social Change and Economic Development | 12 |
| 2. | Community Development | 12 |
| 3. | Sociology of Health | 12 |
| 4. | Sociology of Religion | 12 |
| 5. | Political Interaction | 12 |
| 6. | Sociology of Rural Development | 12 |
| 7. | Women Studies | 12 |
| 8. | Caste in India | 12 |
| 9. | Scheduled Castes | 12 |
| 10. | Sociology of Kinship | 12 |

Teaching Learning Process: Class discussions/ demonstrations, Power point presentations, Class activities/ assignments, Field visits., Internship, etc.

Suggested Readings:

- A. Fundamental Clarity from the basic texts like T.B. Bottomore: Sociology.
- B. After (a), reading of the topics from A Survey of Research in Sociology & Social Anthropology, I, II & III Round (1974, 1985, 2000)
- C. After (a) and (b) classification of articles published in journals are undertaken, frequency, trends, titles etc. to be analyzed.
- D. A Student is supposed to review at least one article on each of the selected 4 topics.
- E. Abstracts from S.A. are also advised to be added on the 4 selected themes after

Suggestive digital platforms web links:

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Subject: Sociology

Course Code: C-3

Course Title: Logic & Philosophy of Social Science

Theory paper

Course Objectives: The main objective of this paper is to

- 1. Identify and discuss the role and importance of logics and explanations in Sociology.
- 2. Identify and discuss the issues of logics in Sociology.
- 3. Identify and discuss the complex issues inherent in contemporary Sociological issues of the society.
- 4. Identify and discuss the concepts and procedures of social explanation in Sociology.

Course Outcomes: At the end of this course, the students should be able to:

- CO1. Understand some basic concepts of logics and explanation in various aspects of sociological issues.
- CO2. Explain key sociological concepts and issues to comprehend and explain the various logical phenomenons in the discipline.
- CO3. Select and define appropriate explanation in sociological parameters.
- CO4. Organize and conduct research by applying proper and formal logical system.
- CO5. To reach on correct reasoning, valid inference and logical truth.

CO6. To understand the importance of philosophical explanation in research.

| Credits: 4 | Core Compulsory / Elective |
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| Max. Marks: 100 | Min. PassMarks:55 |

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| Unit | Topics | No. of Lectures (Total 60) |
| I | Propositional Logic: Propositional Variables and Constants, Truth Functions, Decision Procedures. | 12 |
| П | Class Logic: Meaning and Kinds of Classes, Relation between Classes, Interpretation of AEIO in class logic, Syllogistic reasoning and class logic. | |
| III | Inductive Logic: Induction by enumeration, Argument by analogy, Causal Arguments Logic and Language. | 12 |
| IV | Social Description, observation and explanation. Types of social explanation, Functional explanation, Explanation by Theory. Generality, Types of Generality. | 12 |
| V | Antiscientific view of Social Science: Nomothesis - ideography, Subjectivity – Objectivity, Fact-Value, Explanation - Understanding, Freedom-determinism | 12 |

Teaching Learning Process: Class discussions/ demonstrations, Power point presentations, Class activities/ assignments, Field visits, Internship, etc.

Suggested Readings:

- 1. Gibson, Q. 1960. Logic of Social Inquiry. London: Routledge & Kegan Paul.
- 2. Schipper, E.W., & Schuh, E. 1960. A First Course in Modern Logic. New York: Routledge.
- 3. Nagel. 1961. The Structure of Science. New York: Macmillan.
- 4. Brown, R. 1963. Explanation in Social Science. London: Routledge & Kegan Paul.
- 5. Durkheim, Emile. 1965. The Rules of Sociological Method. New York: Free Press.
- 6. Cohen & Nagel. 1968. Logic & Scientific Method. New Delhi: Allied.
- 7. Salmon, W. 1969. Logic, Englewood Cliffs. New Delhi: Prentice Hall.
- 8. Wine, P. 1970. Idea of Social Science & its Relation to Philosophy, London: Routledge & Kegan Paul.
- 9. Copi, I.M. Introduction to Logic. New York: McMillan.

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| Subject: Sociology | | |
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| Course Code: C-4 | Course Title: Dissertation | Practical paper |

Course Objectives: The main objective of this paper is to

- 1. Identify and discuss the role and importance of research presentation.
- 2. Identify and discuss the issues in preparing research proposal.
- 3. Identify and discuss the complex issues inherent in executing the research design and implementing a research project.
- 4. Identify and discuss the concepts and procedures of report writing.

Course Outcomes: At the end of this course, the students should be able to:

- CO1. Understand some basic concepts of research writing.
- CO2. Explain key concepts and issues in studying the research articles in the discipline.
- CO3. Organize and conduct research in a systematic manner.
- CO5. Write a research report and thesis.
- CO6. Write a research proposal (grants).

| Credits: 4 | Core Compulsory / Elective | |
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| Max. Marks: 100 | Min. Pass Marks: 55 | |

A student shall undertake a minor project in the shape of dissertation, Prepare a concept paper on the basis of review of literature as learned in the course of research methodology. The dissertation will be submitted in typed script for evaluation.

Teaching Learning Process: Class discussions/ demonstrations, Power point presentations, Class activities/ assignments, Field visits., Internship, etc.

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