

M.Phil. English Literature
Semester-I, Even Semester-2020

Core Course : Introduction to Research Methodology

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Course Description:

The course in Research Methodology is aimed to equip students with appropriate methodological tools to develop their research interests. The Course will be divided into two parts. Part I will train them to develop their research proposals with focus on development of topic, synopsis, bibliography and annotated bibliography, editing of text and review of research papers. Part II will make them engage with selected critical, theoretical and philosophical texts to familiarize them with the theoretical paradigms of literary research. The course will be taught by Prof. Nishat Zaidi.

Please note that classes will be taught through workshop /seminar method. Students are expected to closely follow instructions, engage with assigned tasks and complete their assignments on time.

Components of the Grade:

Internal Assessment:

Section 1

15% Submission and Defence of Research Proposal

10% Submission of Bibliography and Annotated Bibliography

Section 2.

25% Open house paper presentation

End Semester Examination

75% End Semester Examination

Required Text:

*MLA Handbook for Writers of Research papers 8th Edition. Affiliated Press: New Delhi.
[Students are advised to keep 7th edition with them s well.]*

Course Reader for Selected Essays

Course Schedule:

S NO	Date	Topic
	5 February	Introduction
	7 February	What is Research? What is Research Methodology?
	12 February	Introduction: Literature, Society, Politics and Application of Theory
	13 Feb	Selection and Development of Topic
	19 Feb	Essay 1 Elaine Showalter: Women and the Literary Curriculum
	20 Feb	Writing Abstract
	26 Feb	Essay 2 Hayden White: The Fictions of Factual Representation
	27 Feb	Writing Research Proposal-1
	5 March	Writing a Research Proposal-2
	11 March	Essay 3 Terry Eagleton: Heathcliff and the Great Hunger
	12 March	Writing Research Proposal-3
	18 March	Essay 4 Edward Said: Yeats and Decolonization
	19 March	Developing Bibliography
	25 March	Developing Bibliography
	26 March	Developing Bibliography

	1 April	Essay 5 Aijaz Ahmed: Jameson's Rhetoric of Otherness and 'National Allegory'
	2 April	Developing Annotated Bibliography
	8 April	Essay 6 Salman Rushdie: Outside the Whale
	15 April	Developing Annotated Bibliography
	16 April	Essay 7 Walter D. Mignolo: The Geopolitics of Knowledge and the Colonial Difference
	22 April	In-House presentation
	23 April	Writing Research Paper -1
	29 April	Writing Research Paper -2
	30 April	Writing Research Paper -3
	6 May	Open House Presentation

Research Proposals must be submitted in the Department Office by **10th April**. The date of defence will be announced later.

Bibliography and Annotated Bibliography to be submitted by **1st May**.