

MANGALORE UNIVERSITY
Ph.D COURSE WORK SYLLABUS
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

PAPER-I RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

Course Objectives:

1. To expose research student to the fundamentals of research in Economics.
2. To examine the role and importance of research in the Social Sciences.
3. To develop understanding of the basic frame work of Research Process.
4. To understand the complex issues inherent in selecting a research problem, selecting an appropriate research design and proceeds of research work.
5. To discuss the concepts and procedures of sampling, data collection, analysis and reporting of research work.
6. To familiarize students with qualitative and quantitative skills involved in social science research.

Course Outcomes: Research Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:

1. Understand and able to distinguish between Research and other Reading priorities.
2. Reflect on the issues/concepts effectively.
3. Approach the sources as well as interpret as required.
4. Develop understanding on various kinds of research, objectives of doing research, research process, research designs and sampling.
5. Make use of techniques including statistical methods in social science research.

PAPER I: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY IN ECONOMICS

Module I: Foundations of Research:

What is research? Social science research and Types of research- difference between pure and applied research-descriptive research, diagnostic research, experimental research, non-experimental research, and analytical research. Action research and steps in research.

Module II: Research Planning and Review of Literature

Research design-identification of a problem-conceptualization-hypothesis formulation objectives of research, Review of literature- what to review and procedure of review, sources of data-Primary and Secondary Cataloguing-Survey setting-approach to the problem-experimental design-pilot studies-bench mark surveys case studies-field studies – villages studies-national studies-census surveys.

Module III: Statistical Methods in Research

Statistics - Meaning - Significance - Application in Economic Analysis - Data and Information - Primary and Secondary Data - Data Collection Methods - Processing of Data - Data Classification and Tabulation.

Sampling - Place of sampling in census and survey work - Requirements of a good sample - Structure of various types of sample - sampling size, Practical problems arising in the planning of a survey - Problems arising in the execution and analysis of a survey design.

Module IV: Research Methods and Tools of Analysis

Content analysis, quantitative, qualitative and descriptive analyses –tools of analysis Processing and interpretation of data – hypothesis, and testing the hypothesis and forecasting-editing-classification-coding tabulation statistical interpretation and explanations-correlation and regression analysis, Application of Econometrics and models and use of statistical software for data analysis.

Module V: Research Report Writing

Types of reports, report format and Principles of report writing- organization of a thesis – documentation and providing foot notes and bibliographies.

List of Books

1. J.Hentschel (1998), Distinguish between Types of Data and Methods of Collecting Them, World Bank.
1. E.M. Trauth (2001), Qualitative Research: Issues and Trends, Idea Group Publishers.
2. Don Erwin Ethridge (2004), Research Methodology in Applied Economics- Organizing Planning and conducting research, Black well publishing Company.
3. Subhas Jain, Rebecca Marschan. Piekkari (2003), Hand book on Qualitative Research Methods for Handbook of Research in International Marketing, Oxford.
4. Tata H.A. (1997), Operation Research: An Introduction, Prentice Hall of India Pvt Ltd, New Delhi.
5. P.C. Tripathi (2008), A Textbook of Research Methodology in Social Science, Sulthan Chand & Sons, New Delhi.
6. C.R. Kothari and Gaurav Garg (2014), Research Methodology - Methods and Techniques, New Age International Publishers.
7. Allen R.G.D. (1974), Mathematical Analysis for Economists, English Language Book Society, London.
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15. Chou.Y. (1975), Statistical Analysis, Holt, Reinhart and Winston, New York.
16. Elhance, D.N. (1987), Fundamental methods of Statistics, Kitab Mahal, Allahabad.
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21. Dongherty, C. (1992), Introduction to Econometrics, Oxford University Press, New York.
22. Goldberger, A.S. (1998), Introductory Econometrics, Harvard University Press, Cambridge, Mass.
23. Gujarati, D.N. (1995), Basic Econometrics (2nd edition), McGraw Hill, New Delhi.
24. Hill R.C., E.G. William and G.G. Judge (1997), Undergraduate Econometrics, Wiley, New York.
25. Kennedy, P. (1998), A Guide to Econometrics (4th Edition), MIT Press, New York.
26. Kmenta, J. (1997), Elements of Econometrics (Reprint Edition), University of Michigan Press, New York.
27. Koutsoyiannis, A. (1977), Theory of Econometrics (2nd ed), The Macmillan Press Ltd., London.
28. Krishna, K.I.L. (ed) (1997), Econometric Applications in India, Oxford University Press, New Delhi.
29. Maddala, G.S. (ed) (1993), Econometrics Methods and Application (2vols), Aldershot U.K.
30. Theil, H. (1981), Introduction to Econometrics, Prentice hall of India, New Delhi.

PAPER-II REVIEW OF LITERATURE

Course Objectives:

1. To equip the Researchers with the in-depth understanding of the research area.
2. To enable the Researcher to comprehend the issues concerning research area
3. To cultivate critical reflection on the subject area by the Researcher.
4. To take a stock of the materials available to research.

Course Outcomes: The students will be enabled to;

1. Have nuanced understanding of the area.
2. Empowered to handle research.
3. Capable of critical reflection on the research area.
4. Capable of identifying the relevant materials, research gaps and set goals for research.

In this paper the Review report submitted by the researcher will be evaluated, among others, with due consideration to the following aspects highlighted in the report:

- Significance of the study area
- Selection of literature/materials
- Identification of specific area of research
- Delineation of different aspects of research area
- Formulation of research questions and critical reflection
- Methodological requirement of research writing.

Course Work Viva-voce:

There shall be a Viva voce towards the end of course work in which the researchers ability to handle ideas and abstractions, knowledge about the subject area, analytical and presentation skills, critical reflections among others will be assess