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School of Arts

M.A. Programme

Subject Code & Name: - MA02CENG04: Research Methodology in English Studies-II

Teaching and Evaluation Scheme:

Teaching Scheme				Examination Scheme			
Credits				Component Weightage			
				CCE		SEE	
L	T	P	Total	TH	PWE	TH	PWE
4	0	0	4	50	0	50	0

Programme Name	M.A
Semester	2
Course Code	MA02CENG04
Course Title	Research Methodology in English Studies-II
Course Content Type (Th./Pr.)	Th.
Course Credit	4
Sessions+ Lab. Per Week	N/A
Total Teaching/Lab. Hours	60 Hours
* 2 Laboratory = 1 Session	

Learning Objectives

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The course aims to:

1. Familiarize students with advanced methods and approaches in literary research.
2. Introduce students to citation styles and documentation practices.
3. Develop competence in research proposal writing.
4. Enable students to use digital tools and software for research.
5. Prepare students for dissertation and project work.

Prerequisites (if any)

Learning Outcomes

on successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

1. Apply various theoretical and analytical approaches to literary texts.
2. Use MLA style and other documentation systems effectively.
3. Prepare research proposals and review scholarly literature.
4. Employ digital tools and reference management software.
5. Undertake independent research and dissertation writing..





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Detailed Contents

UNIT	TOPIC/SUB-TOPIC	TEACHING HOURS
I	An overview of Literary Research Approaches • Historical Approach • Biographical Approach • Formalistic Approach • Feminist Criticism • Marxist Criticism • Postcolonial and Cultural Studies Approaches	15
II	Documentation and Citation • MLA Style (9th Edition) • Works Cited and In-text Citation • Footnotes and Endnotes • Bibliography Preparation • Avoiding Plagiarism	15
III	Research Tools and Digital Humanities • E-resources and Online Databases • JSTOR, Project Muse, Google Scholar • Use of AI Tools in Research • Reference Management Software (Zotero, Mendeley) • Corpus and Digital Humanities Research	15
IV	Research Planning and Scholarly Writing • Identifying and Narrowing a Research Topic • Formulation of Research Questions and Objectives • Review of Literature: Purpose and Techniques • Preparation of Annotated Bibliography • Writing a Research Proposal/Synopsis: Components and Structure	15

Text Book(s)

1. Text Books

MLA Handbook. 9th ed. Modern Language Association.

Booth, Wayne C., et al. The Craft of Research. University of Chicago Press.e.

Reference Books

1. Barry, Peter. Beginning Theory: An Introduction to Literary and Cultural Theory. Manchester University Press.
2. Wisker, Gina. The Postgraduate Research Handbook. Palgrave Macmillan.



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3. Creswell, John W. Research Design. Sage Publications.
4. Abrams, M. H., and Geoffrey Galt Harpham. A Glossary of Literary Terms. Cengage..

Web Resources

Practical(s) (if any)

L:: Lecture, **T::** Tutorial , **P::**Practical

CCE::Continuous and Comprehensive Evaluation

(CCE Theory includes Mid Semester Examination, Assignment, MCQ quizzes, Seminar, Reflective notes, class participation, case analysis and presentation, slip tests (announced/ surprised), attendance etc. or any combination of these)

PWE::Practical Work Examination

(PWE includes Laboratory practical work, project work, viva simulation exercise work etc.)

SEE::Semester End Evaluation

