Pre-Ph.D. Coursework Syllabus

Research and Publication Ethics (RPE) and Academic Writings

Course Objectives

- To familiarize students with the basic concepts and approaches to the study of research and public ethics.
- To acquaint students with the nuances of research and public ethics, scientific conduct of research and use of data bases.
- To help students to identify the issues research misconduct through the usages of plagiarism tools.
- To assist students to learn various research techniques writing research paper.
- To train students in the process of writing various academic and popular
- To sensitize students on research ethics.

Syllabus Structure

Unit-l: Ethics in Research:

- Ethics: definition, moral philosophy, nature of moral judgement and reactions
- Ethics in Academics and Academic Integrity

Unit-II: Academic Writings:

- Introduction to academic writing.
- Review of Literature.
- Formulation of Research Problem and Research Proposal
- · Mixing theory and data in academic writing.
- Use of ICT in Academic Writings: exploring tools and techniques.

*Citation, and referencing academic writings

Unit-III: Publication Ethics:

- Best practices/ standards setting initiatives and guidelines: COPE, WAME etc.
- Violation of publication ethics, authorship and contributorship.
- Database and Research Metrics: Indexing Database and citation database
- Use of Plagiarism software like Turnitin, Urkund etc.

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Course Outcomes

After completion of their course the students will be able to understand:

CO1: Familiar with the basic concepts of research methodology.

CO2: Acquainted with the basics of research methods, techniques and approaches of

CO3: Identify the research problem and formulate research questions and

CO4: The process of writing various academic and popular writings.

CO5: Fundamentals of research ethics.

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