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Ph.D Entrance Test Syllabus Session: 2024-25 English Literature

Part A : Research Methodology

Part B : English Literature

Part-A

Research Methodology

Unit – I:

1. Introduction- Meaning and Significance of Research, The Role of Research, Research Process Overview, Understanding Concepts, Constructs, Variables, Definition.

2. Problem Identification and Hypotheses Defining the Research Problem, The importance of problems and hypotheses Formulation of the Research Hypotheses, Qualities of Good Hypothesis.

Unit – II:

1. Research Design: Concept and Importance in Research Features of a good research Design, Exploratory Research Design concept, types and uses, Descriptive Research Designs concept, types and uses. Experimental Design: Concept of Independent & Dependent variables, Field Research, and Survey Research

2. Methods of Data Collection Secondary data collection methods, Quantitative and Qualitative methods of data collection, and Survey methods of data collection.

Unit – II:

1. Measurement and Scaling- Concept of measurement, Types of measurement scales; Questionnaire designing, Problems in measurement in research-Reliability and Validity.

2. Sampling Techniques Sample, Sampling Frame, Sampling Error, The Nature of Sampling, Types of Sample, Characteristics of a Good Sample, Determination of sample size.

3. Processing and Analysis of Data Data Preparation Univariate analysis (frequency tables, bar charts, pie charts, percentages), Bivariate analysis-Cross tabulations and



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Chi- square test including testing hypothesis of association.

4. Interpretation of Data and Paper Writing - Layout of a Research Paper, Identification of Journals, Impact factor of Journals When and where to publish?

5. Ethical issues in conducting research- Ethical issues related to publishing, Plagiarism and Self-Plagiarism.

6. Report Writing and Documentation-MLA and APA format Title page, Abstract, Introduction, Methodology, Results, Discussion, References, and Appendices

Suggested Books;

1. Business Research Methods-Donald Cooper & Pamela Schindler, TMGH, 9th edition

2. Business Research Methods - Alan Bryman & Emma Bell, Oxford University Press.

3. Research Methodology-C.R. Kothari

4. Research in Education by Best and Kahn

5. MLA Style sheet-Latest Edition

6. Bryman, Alan & Bell, Emma (2011). Business Research Methods (Third Edition), Oxford University Press.

7. Kerlinger, F.N., & Lee, H.B. (2000). Foundations of Behavioural Research (Fourth Edition), Harcourt Inc.

8. Rubin, Allen & Babbie, Earl (2009). Essential Research Methods for Social Work, Cengage Learning Inc., USA.

9. Anantasi, A. & Urbina, S. (2004). Psychological Testing, Pearson Education, Inc.

10. Chawla, Deepak & Sondhi, Neena (2011). Research methodology: Concepts and cases, Vikas Publishing House Pvt. Ltd. Delhi.

11. Pawar, B.S. (2009). Theory building for hypothesis specification in organizational studies, Response Books, New Delhi.

12. Neuman, W.L. (2008). Social research methods: Qualitative and quantitative approaches, Pearson Education.



Part-B
English Literature

1. BRITISH LITERATURE (All major writers and their works)

- (i) History of British literature
- (ii) Chaucer to Shakespeare
- (iii) Jacobean and New-Classical Period
- (iv) Romantic and Victorian Period
- (v) Twentieth Century Literature

2. AMERICAN LITERATURE

3. INDIAN WRITING IN ENGLISH

4. CRITICISM

5. LINGUISTICS AND PHONETICS

- (i) Linguistics- Definition, Branches, Characteristics of language, Language Varieties, Morphology.
- (ii) Phonetics- Organs of Speech, Air-Stream Mechanism, Classification and Description of Speech Sounds, Consonants and Vowels, Phonemes, Syllables, Allophones.

Suggested Books;

1. History of English Literature by Edward Albert.
2. History of English Literature by William J. Long
3. Background to the Study of English Literature by B. Prasad
4. An Introduction to English Criticism by B. Prasad
5. Indian Writings in English by KRS Iyenger.
6. History of Indian English Literature by M. K. Naik