



# TEN-DAY RESEARCH METHODOLOGY COURSE FOR Ph.D/PDF RESEARCH SCHOLARS IN SOCIAL SCIENCES

(5<sup>th</sup> March to 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2025)

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### Duration of the course, important dates & venue

- The workshop is planned to be completed in ten-day starting from 5<sup>th</sup> March to 14<sup>th</sup> March 2025.
- Last date for submission of application form is 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2025.
- Notification for selected candidates will be informed on 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2025 via registered email
- Venue: Department of Sociology, Periyar University, Salem

## ABOUT THE HOST INSTITUTION

The Periyar University (NAAC A++ Grade-State University-NIRF Rank 56-NIRF Innovation Band of 11-50), named after great social reformer E.V Ramasamy, is located about 7 kilometres north of the Salem, Bangalore National Highway, Tamil Nadu, India with beautiful landscape and serene atmosphere. The Periyar University was established in September 1997 as a State University and it imparts Value Based Education in four districts of Tamil Nadu namely Salem, Namakkal, Dharmapuri and Krishnagiri. The University aims at developing knowledge in various fields to realize the maxim inscribed in the logo "Arival Vilayum Ulagu" (Wisdom Maketh the World). "Holistic development of the students" is the primary objective of the University. There are 27 Departments in the University.

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

The Department of Sociology has been established in October, 2008 at Periyar University to carve out social equilibrium through its three dimensional phenomena as Academic, Research and Extension activities. The Department has adopted a village for the multi-faceted growth. The Post Graduate students of the Department visit the village all the alternative Fridays to the village Sangeethapatti and Pazhaiya Nallakoundampatty to know the issues, problems, developments, challenges etc., through the methodologies viz narratives, interview, and case study. The field visits help them to prepare the periodical reports par with the international reports like through the adopted village. The Department vision throws its light on societal issues and strives to bring time demanding solutions. It prepares the students and scholars to take up any kinds of academic, research activities and in bureaucracy. The Mission is to identify the researchable areas for the students of Sociology to pursue both quantitative and qualitative research, help the society in all possible ways by deliberating the different issues which have social ramifications, to bring the social harmony and peace in the different settings - Rural, Urban, Tribes and Industries.

## OVERVIEW OF THE WORKSHOP

Research Methodology is the way to methodically crack the research problem. An investigator must know the rationale for using specific methods or techniques and establish their relevance. Each discipline within the social science is informed by its research paradigms and each paradigm is associated with Attendant Methodologies. Social Science research assumes significance from the nature of problem being identified and the possible solutions, since it has a larger impact on the daily activities of the common man. These necessitate imparting expertise and skills in Statistics and Applied Research Techniques is, thus, imperative. Hence, it is felt that a Ten-Day Course on Research Methodology be conducted for research scholars along with newly inducted pursuing lectures their doctoral studies in the Social Sciences.

## OBJECTIVES

1. Preparation of research proposal – giving basic training how to conceive a comprehensive research proposal
2. Enhancement of skills to prepare an appropriate research design, including conducting an overview of literature, formulating research questions and hypotheses, collection of information and analysis,
3. Techniques: Data Processing and analysis
4. How to read the data and how to interpret the data etc.
5. Enhancement of capacity for writing a research paper for publication
6. To help them understand the significance of publishing quality research paper in SCOPUS, CARE List and high impact factor journals
7. Field work training
8. Preparation of the research report – how to write the final research report, etc.
9. Skill on Imparting SPSS

## ELIGIBILITY

All registered Ph.D scholars in recognized Indian university/research institute from any branch of Social Sciences are eligible to apply for this Research Methodology Course. Selected candidates would be informed 15 days in advance of commencing the workshop.

## INTAKE

The maximum intake for the Course shall be 30 seats. Those who have attended any such type of program sponsored by either UGC or ICSSR should not apply. Leave is not allowed during the training period. The supervisor of the participant should certify that applicant has not attended any such kind of workshop during his/ her research tenure. The selected participants are requested to bring their own Laptops to get hands-on experience on the statistical software during the Course.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Interested candidates may apply to Course Director along with the duly printed filled registration form on or before 15<sup>th</sup> February 2025. Registration (Google link) form is enclosed with the brochure. It can also be downloaded from the university website [www.periyaruniversity.ac.in](http://www.periyaruniversity.ac.in).

### Interested candidates may register on the link:

The candidates are required to send the registration form to Course Director in soft copies duly forwarded by their PhD supervisor and Head of the Department with following enclosures:

1. Duly filled in prescribed Registration Form <https://forms.gle/9f2TrpZXS8jemjex5>
2. A write-up on your PhD / research area in 500 words
3. Brief CV of the applicant
4. PhD registration/supportive documents
5. Self-Attested copy of caste/community certificate of ST/SC/OBC/Minority/Disability Certificate (if applicable)

## Registration Fee, TA and Accommodation

There is no registration fee for the Course. Boarding and lodging are also free for the participants. Accommodation to out station participants will be provided on twin sharing basis. Travelling allowances (TA) is payable only for sleeper class/ Normal Bus fare as per ICSSR rules and guidelines. The participants to claim TA should present original tickets.

