

Ph.D. Preliminary Qualifying Examination (Comparative Literature)

Syllabus for Paper I – Research Methodology

Meaning of Research Literary Research, Objectives, Types of Research, Research Approaches, Significance of Research, Research Method and Methodology, Criteria of Good Research Problem – Selection of Research topic – Research Design – Collection of Data, Case study – its purpose – Analysis and Processing of the Data Collected, Tools of Research, Report Writing – Types of Research Reports. Hypothesis and its Testing. Structure of the Thesis, Survey of Literature – Format of the Thesis – Style, Citation, Layout of the Thesis.

Text books

1. Paul Oliver. : Writing your thesis, New Delhi.
2. Ram Ahuja. : Research Methods, Rawat Publications, New Delhi.
3. C.R. Kothari. : Research Methodology Methods and Techniques.
4. M.P. Sinha. : Research methods, Atlantic Publishers, New Delhi.

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Model Question Paper (Paper I : Research Methodology)

Time: 3 hrs.

Max. marks: 70

I Write an essay on any *two* of the following topics. (20 x 2 = 40)

1. The objectives of literary research and its methodology.
2. Selection of Research topic and the tools available for literary research.
3. Criteria for good research.

II Write short notes on any *three* of the following. (10 x 3 = 30)

1. Research problem.
2. Synopsis.
3. Approaches to Literary research.
4. The process and analysis of Data collected.
5. Structure and formal of the thesis.
6. Layout of the thesis.
7. Hypothesis and its testing.