

DEPARTMENT OF SANSKRIT  
SYLLABUS  
CORE COURSE RESEARCH METHODOLOGY  
(For Course Works For Ph.D)  
Common For all Students

1. Duration of the Course : Six Months
  2. Mode of Assesment
    - a. Internal Assessment for 30 marks  
(Assignment Seminar and viva voce)
    - b. External Assessment  
(Writing Examination) For 70 marks.
- Total – 100 Marks

**Module-1**

1. Thesis and Dissertations – conventions of writing diacritical marks
2. Planning the thesis – selection topics – reviewing the literature – primary, secondary and tertiary source- Research Design – chapter outline
3. General format of the thesis – preliminaries – preface – table of contents – the text – The reference material – the final form of the thesis
4. Page and chapter format – chapter division and subdivisions – types of heading – spacing – pagination – Margin – Indentations.
5. Use of quotations – Conventions – types of quotations
6. Footnotes – use – Placement – format – conventions – format
7. Tables and figures – use –
8. Foot Placement conventions – format
9. Referencing – systems – Basic conventions – order
10. Appendixes – usage
11. Editing .

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Module -2

Indological Research in Retrospect and Prospect

1. Indological Research – Origin – Evolution
2. Scope of Research in Sanskrit
3. Methodology for Indological Research – Historical, Analytical, Comparative and Interdisciplinary Approach

**Pattern of Question**


2 Essays out of 4	20 x 2 = 40
1 Short Essay out of 3	10 x 1 = 10
Four Short notes out of 6	4 x 5 = 20
Total	70

**Reference**

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3. Srimannarayana Murti, *Indological Research*.  
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4. K.C.Dash, *Elements of Research Methodology in Sanskrit*, Sanskrit Sansthan –  
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5. Margaret R. Iverson – *The Research Papers Simplified*. Prentice Hall India  
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**MODEL QUESTION PAPER**  
**FOR**  
**Ph.D COURSE WORK**  
**TOPIC : RESEARCH METHODOLOGY**

Time : 3hrs.

Max. Marks : 70

**Write two Essays :**

1. What are the criteria to be adopted in selecting a topic ?
2. Write an essay on the format of a research thesis.
3. Give an account of the methods in note taking.
4. Give an account of the genesis and evaluation of Indological research

(20x2=40)

**Write one Short Essay**

1. Explain the methodology adopted for referencing and footnoting
2. Describe the conventions in preparing a Bibliography.
3. What is research design – Explain

(10x1=10)

**Write short notes on any Four**

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| a. Preface           | b. Quotations.       |
| c. Appendix          | d. Primary sources   |
| e. Table of Contents | f. Diacritical marks |

(5x4=20)

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