



**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK
CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF HIMACHAL PRADESH**

ORGANISING

**Ten Days Research Methodology Course for M.Phil/Ph.D/PDF
Research Scholars in Social Sciences
(07 July to 16 July, 2022)**

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About the Workshop

Indian higher education system is encircled by several heterogeneous conditions such as infrastructural, social, locational, regional, economical and aspirational issues. Due to these issues, maintaining the quality of research has always been a challenge. Many of the nations are trying to reinforce the quality of research and time has come when India too needs to prioritize it. The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 intends to revamp the whole education system including research. The NEP 2020 envisions the establishment of a National Research Foundation (NRF) with the aim of allowing a culture of research to permeate our universities.

However, quality research is possible only when the researchers undergo systematic training in research methodology. Research methodology is a structured framework of conducting research in order to address various issues and to solve problems in a scientific way. Therefore, it is imperative for the researchers to understand research methodology and applications of contemporary statistical techniques for conducting research.

In recognition of the need for reorienting and upgrading the research abilities of research scholars of social sciences and inter-disciplinary areas, the Central University of Himachal Pradesh proposes to organize an intensive ten-day's workshop on Research Methodology with an object of enhancing research skills of the scholars and to provide them a unique opportunity to get themselves trained in the methodology of research. Research not only generates useful insight and confidence but also acts as a stimulant for academic growth. Sound conceptual understanding of various research methods, research instruments, tools and techniques is an essential prerequisite for conducting empirical research. Research is the systematic and objective process of gathering, recording and analyzing data for taking appropriate & meaningful decisions. It connotes patient study and scientific investment, wherein the researcher takes a more careful look at data to discover all that could be known more deeply about the subject under study.

For undergoing high quality research and writing good research papers, one requires to collect, interpret and logically document the information. The art of drawing coherent conclusions, supported by appropriate research tools and reference citation is vital for quality research work. Keeping in view the importance of **Research Methodology Course (RMC)** on Research Methodology, aims to explore the basic dimensions of research and the concomitant need for

participants to rethink about the assumptions that underlie historic paradigms of research in the field of social sciences and other allied disciplines.

The **Research Methodology Course (RMC)** is designed to offer the participants with a hands-on approach to conduct research. On completion of the **Research Methodology Course (RMC)**, participants are likely to have developed the skills to review the literature, develop hypotheses, frame research design, formulate a research proposal, to develop suitable Research Methods & Data Analytical Tools and identify sampling techniques and Qualitative & Quantitative research and relevance of the tools for data collection, Methods of Qualitative Research and analysis etc. The ten-day **Research Methodology Course (RMC)** will help the participants to know the theoretical as well as practical inputs of research.

Objectives of the Research Methodology Course (RMC)

The proposed Research Methodology Course intends to strengthen the academic talent pool of the participants who are M.Phil. or PhD Scholars enrolled in any recognized universities. The aim is to reach out to students from different social science disciplines to impart an interdisciplinary approach of capacity building. The workshop focuses on addressing the challenges faced by the researchers by introducing students to mixed methods of research. This will enable them in identifying and understanding the techniques required for their research. The major emphasis has been given to tools of data collection involved in qualitative approaches and mixed method. Atlas is a recent technique which is much used by the researchers involved in qualitative research hence it is included within the sessions. Similarly, the workshop aims to train students in publishing quality research papers in Scopus indexed and High Impact Factor Journals which is a mandatory requirement for researchers who aim to pick up teaching as their career option.

The key objectives of the course are:

- To understand some basic concepts of research and its methodology and its techniques.
- To provide an overview of Contemporary Research Methodology and Data Analysis in the field of Social Sciences and allied disciplines.
- To provide the platform for discussion on the methodological requirements of research and to simulate & capture new approaches.
- To enable researchers, irrespective of their discipline, in developing the most appropriate

methodology for their research studies.

- To develop suitable Research Methods & Data Analytical Tools;
- To make them familiar with the art of using different research methods and techniques.
- To provide the platform for discussion on the statistical requirements of the research.
- To train and inculcate the skills for Data Analytics.
- To write a good research paper.
- To prepare a project proposal (to undertake a project).
- To learn organize and conduct research (advanced project) in a more appropriate manner.
- To write a research report and thesis.
- To make aware the participants about latest trends in social science research discipline.

Key Topics to be Covered

- Fundamentals of Research.
- Research Design; Research Problem; Objectives and Hypothesis Formulation.
- Basics of Quantitative Research.
- Structuring Literature Review through Mendeley and Latex.
- Data Management using Excel.
- Types of Data, Methods and Tools of data collection.
- Sampling Design.
- Basics and Techniques of Qualitative Research Analysis (through Atlas Ti).
- Field Survey, Action Research and Case Study Analysis.
- Questionnaire Designing, Data Editing, Coding and Processing.
- Scaling Techniques.
- Citation and Referencing Styles (Technicalities of Citation Metrics and H Index).
- E-resource Efficacy for Research.
- Research Integrity, Ethics and Anti Plagiarism Rules.
- Report/ Thesis Writing.
- Writing and Publishing Research Papers in High Impact Factor and Scopus Journals.
- Funding Avenues in Social Sciences Research.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Last date for the receipt of application form, forwarding letter along with the Synopsis is 20 June, 2022
- Selection to be communicated by 25 June, 2022
- Workshop/Course Dates: 07 July to 16 July, 2022

Eligibility & Application

- Workshop invites applications from eligible candidates all over India. Applicant enrolled for M.Phil/Ph.D/PDF in a UGC recognized university/deemed University/Colleges/ICSSR research Institute only can apply for the Workshop.
- Application along with forwarding letter from the affiliated institution to be mailed to **icssrmc2022@gmail.com**
- Applicant should also submit a synopsis or brief note on the research area of their interest with not more than 1500-2000 words along with the application form.
- Selected candidates would be informed through Email (**icssrmc2022@gmail.com**).
- **There is no registration fee.**

Intake & Selection Criteria

The number of seats for the course is limited to 30. Those who have attended any workshop on Research Methodology sponsored either by UGC or ICSSR are not eligible to apply for this programme. The selection committee will select the participants for the workshop after reviewing the application. The guidelines of ICSSR shall be strictly followed for selection and the conduction of the programme. It is desirable for all the selected participants to have their own laptop for the classes.

Venue & Certificate of Participation

The workshop will be conducted at Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dharamshala. Only candidates with 100% attendance will be eligible to receive the certificate of participation.

ACCOMMODATION & TRAVEL ALLOWANCE

Accommodation will be provided only to outstation participants in University Guest House/Hotels on sharing basis from July 6, 2022 (evening) to July 17, 2022(morning). Travel allowance by shortest distance (bus, train fare or sleeper class only) will be reimbursed to the outstation participants after submitting original tickets.

ESSENTIAL CONDITIONS

Candidates having knowledge of basic statistics and Microsoft excel will be preferred. Selected candidates would be informed through Email or Phone. Further, it is desirable for all the selected participants to bring their own laptop for the hands-on practice sessions. Selected participants are requested to develop a full length research paper (of 3000-4000 words in Times New Roman, 12

font size, spacing 1.5,) on any one of the government flagship programmes and their effectiveness, like, (I) Skill Development, (II) Cashless Economy, (III) Ayushman Bharat Yojana, (IV) Make in India, (V) Digital India , (VI) Jan Dhan Yojana, (VII) Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, (VIII) Standup India, (IX) Swacch Bharat Abhiyaan and (X) MGNREGA etc and have present it at the final day of Ten Days Research Methodology Course for M.Phil/Ph.D./Research Scholar in Social Sciences.

About Central University of Himachal Pradesh

The Central University of Himachal Pradesh is established under the Central Universities Act 2009 (No. 25 of 2009) enacted by the Parliament. The University is funded and regulated by the University Grants Commission (UGC). The University became functional with the assumption of charge by the first Vice Chancellor on 20th January 2010. Territorial Jurisdiction of the University, as per the Central Universities Act 2009, extends to the whole state of Himachal Pradesh. The Central University of Himachal Pradesh strives for Inclusive Access to Excellence in Higher Education and Research to emerge as Premier University of the Country at par with the best Universities of the World in terms of Programme Offerings, Curricular Framework, Pedagogy, Research, Publications and Integration with the World of Work. The University has an ambitious Vision Document evolved in consultation with eminent experts in the field of education. The Vision Document and Strategic Plan of the University as approved by the statutory authorities of the University are available at the website of the University (www.cuhimachal.ac.in). Accordingly, in due course of time, the University will grow to have purpose built, state of the art 150 acre campus in Dharamshala and 900 acre campus in Dehra and will have 17 Schools of Studies with nearly 90 Departments of Studies and about 50 Centres of Studies.

Objectives of the University as given in the Central Universities Act 2009 are as under:

- To disseminate and advance knowledge by providing instructional and research facilities in such branches of learning as it may deem fit;
- To make special provisions for integrated courses in humanities, social sciences, sciences and technology in its educational programmes;
- To take appropriate measures for promoting innovations in teaching-learning process and inter-disciplinary studies and research;
- To educate and train manpower for the development of the country;

- To establish linkages with industries for the promotion of science and technology;
- To pay special attention to the improvement of social and economic conditions and welfare; of the people, their intellectual, academic and cultural development.

Important Note

Contacts:

For any information/clarification, please contact: Dr. Shashi Punam, Course Director of the Workshop, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Social Work, CUHP

All the correspondents/queries should be made through icsrhc2022@gmail.com and/or 9418636222, **Dinesh-7018884704, Rohit Kumar Gupta-9918483646**

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WORKSHOP ON RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

(For M. Phil/Ph.D/PDF Scholars)

(_____ 2022)

APPLICATION FORM

(Form filled with all relevant details must reach us not later than 2022)

Please read the Instructions before filling in this form:

- (i) This form must be filled in completely and no column should be left blank
- (ii) Certificate of completion of course will be given to those participants who attend the course for the full duration, covering all the modules
- (iii) Only selected candidates shall receive further information about the programme.
- (iv) The interested candidates must send the duly filled registration form in a pdf format on our office E-mail icssrmc2022@gmail.com

1.	Name (in CAPITAL Letters)	
2.	Date of Birth	
3.	Mention Social group (SC/ST OBC/General)	
4.	Address for communication and (with name of State) (In Capital Letters)	
5.	Mobile No. & WhatsApp No.	
6.	Email	
7.	Gender	
8.	Language Proficiency	
9.	Institution University (with full address)	
10.	Present Position designation	
11.	Qualifications & Discipline	
12.	Topic/Title of Research	

- 1) Present Status of Research (Stating in brief current stage of ongoing research work, Ph.D or other, mentioning clearly and specifically that at what stage research has reached in terms of proposal, reviewing literature, methodology/research tools/data collection/analysis/ report writing).
- 2) Received any Fellowship (Yes/No)
- 3) A Brief Note on Your Research Interests (Use extra sheet if needed)
- 4) Have you applied/ attended to such workshops conducted by other institutes earlier? Yes/No (If Yes provide details)

You are requested to attach your research proposal along with delineation of status of research in detail. Kindly note that during the workshop your proposals and research interest will be deliberated in the special sessions.

DECLARATION/UNDERTAKING

I hereby declare that all information furnished in this application form is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false, incomplete or incorrect, my application/admission is liable to be rejected/cancelled. I undertake to abide by the rules/guidelines of the Central University of Himachal Pradesh and to commit solely to the programme during the full duration.

Applicant's Signature with Date: _____

RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERVISOR/FORWARDING AUTHORITY

I hereby certify that the applicant _____ is a research scholar registered for M.Phil. /Ph.D./PDF with _____ (Department and Organization).

His/her application is hereby forwarded for participation in the 10 days Workshop on Research Methodology to be organized by the Central University of Himachal Pradesh.

Signature of Supervisor/Principal/Head of Institution

Date..... (With rubber stamp)