

Faculty of Economics and Political Science

Research Methodology

Information :

Course Code : REM 201

Level : Undergraduate

Course Hours : 3.00- Hours

Department : Department of Political Science

Instructor Information :

Title	Name	Office hours
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Area Of Study :

The course presents the scientific methods of reasoning used to understand the characteristics and the current problems in political and social life. It helps to understand basic concepts and methodologies. It helps to identify appropriate research topics. It also discusses the identification of the research problem and preparing the project proposal.

Course Goals:

- Introduce the different methodological tools that needed to diagnose the political, economic, and social issue.
- Develop the research and scientific thinking of students.
- Enhance the writing skills.
- Teach the citation and integrating ideas.
- Learn how to write a research proposal.
- Develop the research and learn how to write an academic research paper.

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Course outcomes :

a. Knowledge and Understanding: :

1 -	Comprehend and deal with complex research issues in order to communicate their scientific results clearly for peer review.
2 -	Understand how to use the scientific and methodological tools.

b. Intellectual Skills: :

1 -	Critically evaluate current research and propose possible alternate directions for further work.
2 -	Develop hypothesis and methodology for research.

c. Professional and Practical Skills: :

1 -	Create academic proposal and research paper.
2 -	Apply the academic methods on the any political, economic, social issues or any case study.

d. General and Transferable Skills: :

1 -	Understand the process of Methodological knowledge and technical know-how.
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2 -	Gain confidence and know how to work towards solutions.
3 -	Develop writing, oral, teamwork and leadership skills.

Course Topic And Contents :

Topic	No. of hours	Lecture	Tutorial / Practical
Introduction: Overview of the Course Requirements & Syllabus	3	1	
Scientific Thinking	3	1	
Proposal Steps Research Problem Research Hypothesis Literature Review	9	3	
Research Methods and Approaches	9	3	
Tools of Analysis: Quantitative and Qualitative Tools	3	1	
Mini Research Paper	6	2	
Citations	6	2	
Final Presentation		1	

Teaching And Learning Methodologies :

Demonstration videos
Presentation
Simulations
Debates
Group discussion
Research Paper

Course Assessment :

Methods of assessment	Relative weight %	Week No	Assess What
Course Work (Attendance, Participation, Assignments, Quizzes, Research Paperó D	30.00		To assess understanding, and to assess theoretical background of the intellectual and practical skills.
Final Exam	40.00	15	To assess knowledge and intellectual skills.
Midterm Exam (S)	30.00		To assess professional skills.

Course Notes :

FEPS FUE Manual: Steps of research Proposal.
FEPS FUE Manual: Steps of Research Paper.