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DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY
Course structure Syllabi for M.Phil(w.e.f. 2018)

Department of Anthropology
Rajiv Gandhi University

Faculty of Social Science

Syllabus for

Master of Philosophy in Anthropology
(Two years full-time programme)



Semesters System

1st Semester

ANTC711: Research Methodology I

ANTC712: Research Methodology II

2nd Semester

ANTC721: Anthropology and Emerging Frontiers

ANTC722: Making of Research Proposal

3rd and 4th Semester

ANTC731: Dissertation

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Break-up Marks	ANTC711: Research Methodology I
<p>⇒ 75 marks for semester examination (each unit carries equal marks/Credits)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Part A</p> <p>Unit 1 Research Philosophy: positivism, critical realism, interpretivism, post modernism, pragmatism; fieldwork tradition in Anthropology; Ethnography</p> <p>Unit 2 Approach to theory development: deduction, induction, abduction; Reliability and validity</p> <p>Unit 3 Research ethics: ethics in the process of data collection, ethic in report writing</p> <p>Unit 4 Preparing for research: Identification of research problem; statement of problem; review of literature; hypothesis; types of research design; sampling; pilot survey, key informant, rapport building; emic and etic perspectives</p> <p>Unit 5 Methods technique and tools: Observation, Interview, genealogy, schedule, questionnaire, interview guide, focus group discussion, case study, auto ethnography, note and dairy, audio-visual tools; Reliability and validity</p>
<p>⇒ 25 marks for internal assessment;</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Part B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ Reviewing of literature relevant to the area of research. ⇒ Group discussion on any significant areas of research methodology from syllabus.



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Break-up Marks	ANTC712: Research Methodology II
⇒ 75 marks for semester examination (each unit carries equal marks/Credits)	<p style="text-align: center;">Part A</p> <p>Unit 1 Qualitative data analysis: interpretive, Narrative, Discourse, Grounded theory, content analysis;</p> <p>Unit 2: Quantitative data analysis: univariate, bivariate and multivariate;</p> <p>Unit 5: Report writing, reference and bibliography</p> <p>Unit 4 Writing scientific paper: Types of scientific papers; methods of writing different scientific papers</p> <p>Unit 5 Anthropological writings on actual field experiences on various communities or various field locations will be shared and discussed to reflect on the critical domains of fieldwork.</p>
⇒ 25 marks for internal assessment;	<p style="text-align: center;">Part B</p> <p>Computer application in social science research: Importance of computer application in research; internet and search engine.</p>

Suggested readings:

1. Barnes, J.A. 1977. The Ethics of enquiry in Social Science. OUP, New Delhi.
2. Bernard, H.R. 2002. Research Methods in Anthropology. Altamira press, New York.
3. Bose P.K. 1994. Research Methodology, ICSSR, New Delhi.
4. Clifford, J and George E. Marcus. 1986. Writing Culture: the Poetics and Politics of Ethnography. University of California Press, Berkeley.
5. Danda A. K. 1992. Research Methods in Anthropology. Inter India Publication, New Delhi.
6. Ellen, R.F. 1984. Ethnographic Research: A guide to general conduct. Academic Press, New York.
7. Epstein, A.L. 1978. Crafts in Social Anthropology, Hindusthan, Delhi.
8. Fetterman, D.M. 1989. Ethnography step by step. Sage Public, New Delhi.
9. Ghosh, B. N. 1985. Scientific Method and Social Research. Sterling Publisher, New Delhi
10. Johnson J. C. 1990. Selecting Ethnographic informants. Sage Publication, New Delhi.
11. Noblit, G.W. and Hare, R.D. 1988. Meta-ethnography: Synthesizing qualitative studies. Sage Publication, New Delhi.
12. Pelto, P.J. and G.H. Pelto. 1986. Anthropological Research: The structure of inquiry. Cambridge University Press, London.
13. Roy, S. and Ajit K. Danda. 2007. Methodological Questions in Social Anthropology. INCAA, Kolkata.
14. Sarana, G. 2008. Explorations in Methods and Theory in Anthropology. Rawat Publication, Jaipur.
15. Sarana, G. 1975. Methodology of Anthropology. University of Arizona, New York.
16. Thapan, M. 1998. Anthropological Journeys: Reflections of fieldwork. Orient Longman, New Delhi.
17. Thomas, J. 1993. Doing Critical Ethnography. Sage Publication, New Delhi.
18. Young, P.V. 1988. Scientific Survey and Research. Prentice Hall, New Delhi.




Break-up Marks	ANTC721: Anthropology and Emerging Frontiers
⇒ 75 marks for - semester examination (each unit carries equal marks/Credits)	Part A
	Unit 1 Public Policy and Anthropology, Anthropological assessment of development projects
	Unit 2 Genome Projects: Human Genome Project (HGP), Neanderthal Genome Project (NGP); Chimpanzee Genome Project (CGP); Mitochondrial and Ancient DNA research
	Unit 3 Non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and other civic society organizations and Anthropology
	Unit 4 Media and Anthropology; Social Network and Anthropology; Post truth paradigm and Anthropology
	Unit 5 Corporate Anthropology; Anthropology of Management; anthropological studies on Diaspora
⇒ 25 marks for internal assessment;	Part B
	Pedagogic Exercise: <i>The course will have five class room seminars after the completion of each unit of the syllabus. Students will be required to write ten assignments two from each unit of the course.</i>

Suggested readings:

1. <https://www.genome.gov/> (for HGP and CGP)
2. <http://www.eva.mpg.de/neandertal/index.html> (for NGP)
3. Janine R. Wadel; Cris Shore; Gregory Feildman and Stacy Lathrop. 2005. Toward an Anthropology of Public Policy. *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*; 600, pp 30-51
4. Mark Schuller and David Lewis. 2014. Anthropology of NGOs. Oxford Bibliography in Anthropology
5. Peterson, Mark Allen. (2004) *Anthropology and Mass Communication: Media and Myth in the New Millennium*. New York: Berghahn Books.
6. Heather A. Horst and Daniel Miller (ed) (2012) *Digital Anthropology*. Bloombury Publication
7. Jonathan Mair. 2017. Post Truth Anthropology. *Anthropology Today*; 33(3) pp
8. Thomas H. Davenport. 2007. The rise of corporate anthropology. *Harvard Business Review*
9. Ann T. Jordan. 2013. *Business Anthropology*. Waveland Press



Break-up Marks	ANTC722: Making of Research Proposal
<p>⇒ 50 marks for - writing Synopsis; ⇒ 20 marks for presentation; ⇒ 30 marks for interaction with the expert and audience</p>	<p>(i) Writing final synopsis following basic structure with necessary sub-headings. (ii) Preparation of interview schedule / household enumeration format etc. need to be appended with the synopsis which will be used for collection of data. (iii) Presentation of final synopsis in departmental seminar</p> <p>Note: This is a non-lecture based paper in which each student admitted to M. Phil. course is constantly in touch with the respective supervisor in relation to preparation and presentation of final synopsis. At the end of the semester each student shall give a seminar presentation in the department for which external shall be invited from the relevant departments/Institutes of RGU. Basing on the proposed marks, structure of the final marks shall be credited to each student by invited expert in consultation with concerned supervisor of the Department.</p>

Break-up Marks	ANTC731: Dissertation
<p>⇒ 150 marks for the Dissertation; ⇒ 50 marks for viva voce</p>	<p>In the Dissertation part, the student should opt for a dissertation topic related to his/her Masters Degree discipline as far as practicable. However, the topic should be decided by the student in consultation with the supervisor.</p>

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