MA SYLLABUS

TITLE OF THE PAPER: Literature and the Arts; Research Methodology

SEMESTER	1
PAPER NO	3
PAPER TITLE	Literature and the Arts; Research Methodology
PAPER CODE	MENG4123
THEORY/ PRACTICAL	Theory
NO OF CREDITS	6
COURSE OBJECTIVES	Module I: Literature and Screen Adaptations (Film & TV) The aim of this course is to introduce the student to exploring the dynamics of the relation between literary works and their cinematic adaptation with reference to the three different literary genres – novel, drama and short story. Module II: Literature and Painting Exploring the reciprocal influence of literary and visual artists upon each other, the course examines how a realization of the commonalities of aesthetics and techniques and the dialogue between the arts enriches our appreciation of literary works.
LEARNING OUTCOME/S	Module III: Research Methodology This course aims to introduce students to the concept of research and the terminology associated with research activity. It also aims at highlighting the significance of the systematic planning and execution of research activity and preparing students to undertake research. This module will enable students to plan the different stages of research Module I: Literature and Screen Adaptations (Film & TV) At the end of the course the student will be able to explain in a critical and cogent fashion why a book is sometimes considered better than the film and vice versa. She will be able to engage with literature with a broader, educated perspective. The
	Module II: Literature and Painting The student will have acquired an understanding of the co-relation between literature and painting. They will have developed a new sensitivity to modes of seeing and reading texts which will translate into original analysis. Module III: Research Methodology The students will be equipped with theoretical knowledge pertaining to research, and with the practical skills of research planning and execution. They will also
	have learnt how to read, review and dissect literary texts with the help of different research methodologies and will be prepared to write their own research papers.
SYLLABUS	Module I: Literature and Screen Adaptations (Film & TV) 1. Classic rules of adaptation – Blake Edwards's adaptation of Truman Capote's Breakfast at Tiffany's 2. Transforming the source material – Francis Ford Coppola's adaptation of Mario Puzo's The Godfather 3. Ignoring the source material – Stanley Kubrick's adaptation of Stephen King's The Shining 4. The perfect adaptation – The Coen Brothers' adaptation of Cormac McCarthy's No Country for Old Men 5. Turning a book into a TV series – D.B Weiss and David Benioff's adaptation (season 1) of G.R.R Martin's A Game of Thrones 6. Adapting a graphic novel – Robert Rodriguez's adaptation of Frank Miller's Sin City

7. Adapting by rules of committee – Warner Bros. Pictures and J.K Rowling's *Harry*

Potter books.

8. Popular literature engendered by films – George Lucas's *Star Wars* and its associated corpus of popular literature.

Module II: Literature and Painting

Unit I: How to read a painting

Unit II: A brief overview of periods/movements in painting

Discovering correspondences between artistic and literary periods/ movements (with special focus on the 19th and 20th centuries)

Representation

Literature and painting

Painting and literature

The portrait and the dramatic monologue

Module III: Research Methodology

Unit I: What is Research?

(Objectives of Research, Fundamentals of Research, Qualities of a Researcher)

Unit II: Research Methods and Material for Research

(Types of Methods, range of primary and secondary data for literature)

Unit III: Research Methodology – Discipline specific

(Discourse analysis, Literary theory)

Unit IV: How to write a research paper

(Choosing a topic and title, Review of Literature, Formulating a Research

Problem, Deciding on Methods and methodology, argument, conclusion)

Unit V: Documentation

Citation techniques, style sheet and plagiarism check)

READING LIST

Module I: Literature and Screen Adaptations (Film & TV)

Bert Cardullo (ed.) Stage and Screen: Adaptation Theory from 1916 to 2000 Deborah Cartmell (ed.) A Companion to Literature, Film and Adaptation Robert Stam & Alessandra Raengo (ed.)

Module II: Literature and Painting

Acton, Mary. Learning to Look at Paintings

Berger, John. Ways of Seeing

Baudelaire, Charles. The Mirror of Art

Clark, Kenneth. Landscape into Art

Clark, Kenneth. The Romantic Rebellion: Romantic versus Classic Art

Fry, Roger. Vision and Design

Gombrich, E.H. The Story of Art

Grundy, Joan. Hardy and the Sister Arts

Hagstrum, Jean. The Sister Arts

Karl, Kroeber. Images of Romanticism: Verbal and Visual Affinities

Meyers, Jeffery. Painting and the Novel

Praz, Mario. Mnemosyne: The Parallel between Literature and the Visual Arts

Read, Herbert. The Meaning of Art

Read, Herbert. A Concise History of Modern Painting

Stevens, Wallace. The Necessary Angel

West, Shearer. Portraiture

Worringer, Wilhelm. Abstraction and Empathy

Module III: Research Methodology

Eliot, Simon and W.R. Owens (Ed 4), *A Handbook to Literary Research*, London: Routledge & Open University, 1998

Gibaldi, Joseph. *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers*. New York: MLA Association, 2016

Griffin, Grabiele. Research Methods for the Arts and Humanities. Edinburgh University Press. Book Series

Rahim, Abdul F. Thesis Writing: A Manual for Researchers. New Delhi: New Age International Ltd. 2005.

Sinha, M.P. Research Methods in English. India, Atlantic Publishers, 2018. Sirjohn, Adam. Research methodology: Methods and Techniques. Delhi: New Age International Ltd., 2004.

SEMINARS/ PRESENTATIONS	
EVALUATION	End Semester examination paper format: 80 marks, 3 hrs
	Module I: Essay type questions 1 x 30
	Module II: Short note 1 x 10
	Essay type questions 1 x 20
	Module III: Essay type questions 1 x 20
	Internal Assessment: 20 marks