

Course: PG Core

Semester	1
Paper Number	2
Paper Code	MSOC4102
Paper Title	Research Methods
No. of Credits	6
Theory/Composite	Theory
No. of periods assigned	6
Name of Faculty member(s)	
Course description/objective	This course provides a critical understanding of philosophies and methodologies of sociological/anthropological and inter-disciplinary research as they have developed over time. Contemporary methodological debates and practices would enable the students to get a firm grounding in the practice of research so that they could subsequently undertake independent research. This paper would also become foundational in facilitating the separate research-based dissertation paper in the second year.
Syllabus	<p style="text-align: center;">Module I</p> <p>Positivism and its critique Introduction Hermeneutics Historicism Paradigms</p> <p>Techniques of data collection</p> <p>Statistics and SPSS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Module II</p> <p>Critiquing the grand narratives Reflectivity & Subjectivity Debates on Decolonization (postcolonial critiques) Politics of writing cultures Archival research Autoethnography/ biography/ autobiography Feminist interventions</p> <p>Visual Anthropology Anthropology of Senses Philosophical Anthropology</p>