

Warangal, Telangana School of Sciences Department of English

PhD (English) Entrance Syllabus

Paper-I: Research Methodology

Research and Types of research: Meaning of Research- Objectives of Research- Motivation in Research. Research methods vs Methodology. Types of research – Descriptive vs. Analytical, Applied vs. Fundamental, Quantitative vs. Qualitative, Conceptual vs. Empirical. Research Process. Criteria of good Research. Research Formulation – Defining and formulating the research problem - Selecting the problem - Necessity of defining the problem - Importance of literature review in defining a problem – Literature review – Primary and secondary sources – reviews, treatise, monographs-patents – web as a source – searching the web - Critical literature review – Identifying gap areas from literature review - Development of working hypothesis. Data Collection and analysis: Execution of the research - Observation and Collection of data - Methods of data collection – Modeling, Mathematical Models for research, Sampling Methods- Data processing and Analysis strategies. Data Analysis with Statistical Packages – Hypothesis-testing, Generalization-and Interpretation.

Paper-II: Core Subject

English Literature

- Romantic Period
- Victorian age
- American and Commonwealth Literature
- Modern and Postmodern Literature
- Literary Theory (New Criticism, Postcolonialism, Feminism, Deconstructionism, Psychoanalysis) and Literary Criticism
- Indian Writing in English
- Cultural studies
- Gender studies

English Language Teaching

- ELT: an introduction (History, Evolution, Theories, Pedagogy, Problems, Prospects, and Future)
- Language Acquisition and Language Learning
- Listening/Speaking/Reading/Writing/Vocabulary/Grammar
- English for Academic and Specific Purposes
- Teaching Methods, Techniques and Approaches
- Basic Concepts of Language Testing and Assessment
- Research Methodology

Basic Concepts in Linguistics

- Phonetics and Phonology
- Morphology
- Syntax
- Semantics
- Historical Linguistics
- Sociolinguistics
- Pragmatics