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School of International Studies Syllabus for Ph.D. in International Politics Entrance Examination 2023-24

Syllabus for Research Methodology Section

- Introduction to Research Methodology: Meaning of Research, Objectives of Research, Motivations in Research, types of Research, Research Approaches, Significance of Research, Research Methods v/s Methodology, Research and Scientific Methods, Research Process, Criteria of Good Research.
- Defining the Research Problem: Concept and need, Identification of Research problem, defining and delimiting Research problem.
- Inductive vs Deductive Method, Positivism, Behaviouralism, Hermeneutics, Falsification, Paradigm
- Research Questions and Hypothesis: Variables and their linkages, Research Ethics, Plagiarism, Literature Review,
- Characteristics of good Hypothesis. Research question and formulation of hypotheses-directional and non-directional hypotheses, Basis for hypotheses. Research design: Meaning, Need, Features of Good Design, Concepts, Types. Basic principles of Experimental Design, various methods of Research. Survey, Philosophical, Historical, Experimental, Causal Comparative, Genetic, Case Studies.
- Tools for Data Collection: Collections of Primary Data, Collection of Data through questionnaire and Schedules, other Observation Interview Methods, Collection of Secondary Data, Selection of appropriate method for data collection, Techniques of developing research tools, Sampling: Probability and Non-Probability sampling



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- Theories of International Relations: Classical Realism, Neorealism, Variants
 of Neorealism, Liberal International Theory, Complex Interdependence,
 Neoliberal Institutionalism, Democratic Peace Theory, Critical Theories,
 Constructivism, Feminism, Post Modernism,
- Political Thought and Theory: Key Concepts State, Liberty, Equality, Citizenship, Nationalism, Gender, Justice and Democracy, Political Ideologies, Political Theories, Indian and Western Political Thought.
- International Organisations: Concept, Definition, Evolution, Role, Functions and Powers, Globalization and global governance, United Nations, IMF, IBRD and WTO, Regional organizations, India's role in various international organizations.
- Diplomacy and Disarmament(DAD): Evolution, theory, types and practice,
 Diplomacy: bilateral, multilateral, regional and global, Negotiations: theory, types and practice.
- India's Foreign Policy: Evolutions, Structure, Determinants and Objectives, India's relations with Neighbourhood, Extended neighbourhood, Africa, EU, Israel, Japan, Latin America, Russia and US, India's role at international, regional and sub-regional groupings and organisations, Issues and challenges in India's foreign policy terrorism, technology and security, Immigration/migration, Trafficking, Climate Change and Energy, Soft Power in India's Foreign Policy
- Geopolitics: Theories of Geopolitics, Geo-strategy, Geopolitical Concepts, Resources; Geopolitics of Wars; Laws of the Sea; Cold War Geopolitics and multi-polar Geopolitics; Geopolitical hotspots; Contemporary issues and concerns in Geopolitics.