



# गुजरात केन्द्रीय विश्वविद्यालय CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF GUJARAT

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## **Capacity Building Programme On Research Methodology for Social Science Faculty Members (Sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi) (December 11-23, 2023)**

**Centre for Gandhian Thought and Peace Studies  
School of Social Sciences  
Central University of Gujarat, Gandhinagar-382030**

Social science research is a dynamic and ever-changing domain. New studies and new publications bring along new facts and interpretations, make us aware of fresh ways of looking at research, and push us toward new approaches, perspectives, and methods of making sense of social realities. These developments in the field of knowledge production make social science research a constantly evolving area rather than a static one. However, teachers and researchers working in their specific domains often do not get an opportunity to update their research skills. Addressing these concerns, the Centre for Gandhian Thought and Peace Studies, SSS, CUG, Gandhinagar is organizing a Two-Week Capacity Building Programme at CUG Campus for young faculty members in social sciences across the country.

The course intends to cover philosophical and conceptual aspects of social science research, methodologies, techniques and skills required to undertake research and necessary steps, cares and know-how regarding converting research into writings and publications.

This course aims to make its participants familiar with the basic philosophical tenets of social sciences, the trajectories of shifts in methodologies in the last hundred years, some key interventions in the Indian and global landscape of knowledge production in the field of social sciences and how to convert research into academic output (publication).

We aim to bring together both the theoretical as well as pragmatic aspects of doing research in social sciences. The core objective of the Capacity Building Programme is to promote and emphasize the advanced level of understanding of scientific tools and techniques among the faculty members and researchers for conducting high-quality research.

### **Capacity Building Programme**

The programme aims to provide training to young faculty members and researchers towards their capacity building in doing social science research. To achieve these goals, the Course will address issues i.e.

- Philosophical foundations of social science research
- Key methodological shifts in research methods
- Techniques of gathering information from the field
- Skills related to interpretation and analysis of gathered information/data
- Research tools and techniques for analyzing qualitative and quantitative data
- Contemporary trends and techniques in doing social science research
- Writing, presenting, and publishing research work

### **The Broad Overview of Course Modules**

Two weeks programme will be divided into two parts. Part I will focus on the foundations of social science research, selection and formulation of the research problem, review of literature, conceptual framework, developing research proposal, and data collection. Part II will deal with applied aspects of gathering, processing and analysing qualitative and quantitative data, and address difficulties as well as challenges faced in publication of research. All the sessions will be interactive in which participants will have scope to discuss and dialogue with resource persons. Participants will also be working on assignments and making presentations. Participants will also be exposed to field environment. For this purpose, they will be taken village nearby Gandhinagar and will be given assignments concerning data collection and writing brief reports in a rural setting.

Following is a list of proposed themes and topics, we intend to cover in the twelve days (December 11-23, 2023) of the Capacity Building Programme.

#### **1. First Week of the programme will deal with:**

- Meaning and basic foundation of Social Science Research
- Philosophical and Conceptual Dimensions of Social Science Research
- Basic Tenets of Research; Relevance of Methodology in Social Science Research
- Key Conceptual Shifts in Social Science Research in Recent Decades
- Framing Research Problems/ Questions/ Objectives
- Review of Literature
- How to Develop a Research Proposal?
- Research Funding in Social Sciences: Opportunities and Challenges

- Ethics in Social Science Research
- Field Work: Concept; access to field gaining access, presenting oneself, gathering information; how to write field notes; Case Study method; Action Research (Meaning and application)
- Qualitative Research Methods: Research Techniques; In-depth interview; Observation; focused group discussion
- Quantitative Research Methods: Survey Method and Sampling, Introduction, Basic Quantitative Analysis (Introduction; application; research tools and operational part), Non-Parametric Test (chi-square test); Types of data, units of measurement of variable, getting started with SPSS
- Field visit: Participants will be divided into five groups; each group will consist of five participants. They will be taken to a tribal village in Gujarat. They will be assigned five broad aspects of tribal culture or other aspects of tribal society mutually decided with resource persons. Based on their fieldwork each group will write and present their research findings. At least 3000 words of write-up will be expected from each group. Two resource persons (faculty members from CGTPS, CUG, Gandhinagar) will accompany them and will act as facilitators.

## **2. The Second Week of the programme will deal with:**

- Quantitative Research Methods: Bivariate correlation, partial correlation, Bivariate and multivariate regression analysis; ANOVA, Post Hoc Test and Contrast Analysis, Frequency distribution, descriptive statistics, Cross tabulations, describing data through graph and chart; Comparing means (one way), t-test.
- Working on health and society interface in tribal areas
- Review of literature
- Writing social science research
- Qualitative research techniques including case studies, ethnography, and content analysis.
- Audio Visual research tools and their methodological challenges in the digital era
- Writing social science research: research reports, monographs, journal paper
- Researching in the urban society
- Emerging themes of social science research in the global context
- Challenges of Publishing Social Science Research Outcomes

**Duration of the Course: 11.12.2023 to 23.12.2023** (Twelve full working days).

**Venue:** Central University of Gujarat, Sector-29, Gandhinagar

### **Participants**

The course is open to all faculty members (lecturers and assistant professors) of social science disciplines working in research institutions, colleges, University departments

and ICSSR Institutes. It would be mandatory for applicants to show evidence of his/her research aptitude.

About **30 candidates** will be selected from across the country. The participants will be given free boarding and lodging. Sleeper-class train fare (to and fro) by the shortest route will be reimbursed to outstation participants. Besides faculty members of the Centre, resource persons will be invited from universities and other ICSSR institutes within and outside the state of Gujarat. This programme has been sanctioned under the Scheduled Tribe (ST) Component plan, so **priority will be given to ST participants**. However, in case of non-availability of requisite ST participants, preference may be given to SC, OBC, Women, and Persons with benchmark disabilities and minorities.

### **Guidelines for the Participants**

- An applicant must be a faculty member (lecturer/assistant professor or working at an equivalent position in a recognized university/college/ institute in the Social Science.
- The filled-in application (format enclosed) along with the candidate's CV and a copy of caste certificate (if any), and a certificate duly forwarded by his/her HOD/Principal/Head of the Institute should reach us (offline or online mode) latest **by November 30, 2023**.
- For further information or to download the application form, see our website: <https://www.cug.ac.in>
- Shortlisted candidates will be intimated by **December 02, 2023**.
- Certificates will be issued to participants after full attendance in the course.

**Last date of Application: 30 November, 2023.**

**Prof.(Dr.) Janak Singh Meena (Course Director)**

**Chairperson, Centre for Gandhian Thought and Peace Studies,**

**School of Social Sciences, Central University of Gujarat**

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### **Address for Submitting Application**

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- by post: The Course Director (CBP), Chairperson, Centre for Gandhian Thought and Peace Studies, School of Social Sciences, Central University of Gujarat, Sectpr-29, Gandhinagar-382030



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**APPLICATION FORM**

**Capacity Building Programme for Young Social Science Faculty**  
**(December 11-23, 2023)**

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| 1. | Name   | : |                                     |
| 2. | Gender   | : |                                     |
| 3. | Social Category (Put a tick mark) Attach certificate (if any)  | : | SC/ ST/ OBC/General/ Minority Group |
| 4. | Date of Birth  | : |                                     |
| 5. | Institute/ University/ College   | : |                                     |
| 6. | Educational Qualification (mention MA onwards only)  | : |                                     |
| 7. | Discipline   | : |                                     |
| 8. | Topic of Research (currently pursuing; clearly mention if this is different from your doctoral research or whether you continuing working on your doctoral research) | : |                                     |
| 9. | A bio note (max 500 words in a separate sheet of paper): This must include a   | : |                                     |

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|      | brief about your ongoing research, abstract or synopsis key conceptual question, your method, and current stage/status of your research. |   |                                     |
| 10.  | Have you attended similar course earlier   | : | Yes ( )                      No ( ) |
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| 10.1 | If Yes, provide details  | : |                                     |
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| 11.  | Mailing Address<br>(both postal and email along with mobile no.)   | : |                                     |
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| 12.  | Whether you need accommodation   | : | Yes ( )                      No ( ) |

Date:

Signature of the Applicant

Date:

Signature and Seal  
Head/Principal/Registrar/Director



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