Course Code	Course Name	Group	Teaching Scheme Lectures	Credits
RJSPGRM101	Research Methodology	DSC	4	4

Course Outcome:

- 1. To understand Research and Research Process
- 2. To acquaint students with identifying problems for research and develop research strategies
- 3. To familiarize students with the techniques of data collection, analysis of data and interpretation

Learning Outcome:

- 1. Understand the meaning and objectives of research
- 2. Familiar with the research in Commerce and Management
- 3. Classify the research into different types
- 4. Understand the review of literature and research process
- 5. Understand the methods of research: case study method and survey method.

UNIT	TOPICS
UNIT - I	Foundations of Research: Meaning, Objectives, Motivation, Utility. Concept of theory, empiricism, deductive and inductive theory. Characteristics of scientific method – Understanding the language of research – Concept, Construct, Definition, Variable. Research Process Problem Identification & Formulation – Research Question – Investigation Question – Measurement Issues – Hypothesis – Qualities of a good Hypothesis – Null Hypothesis & Alternative Hypothesis. Hypothesis Testing – Logic & Importance
UNIT - II	Research Design: Concept and Importance in Research – Features of a good research design – Exploratory Research Design – concept, types and uses, Descriptive Research Designs – concept, types and uses. Experimental Design: Concept of Independent & Dependent variables Qualitative and Quantitative Research: Qualitative research – Quantitative research – Concept of measurement, causality, generalization, replication. Merging the two approaches. Measurement: Concept of measurement– what is measured? Problems in measurement in research – Validity and Reliability. Levels of measurement – Nominal, Ordinal, Interval, Ratio.
UNIT - III	Sampling: Concepts of Statistical Population, Sample, Sampling Frame, Sampling Error, Sample Size, Non Response. Characteristics of a good sample.

Probability Sample – Simple Random Sample, Systematic Sample, Stratified Random Sample & Multi-stage sampling. Determining size of the sample – Practical considerations in sampling and sample size.

Data Analysis: Data Preparation – Univariate analysis (frequency tables, bar charts, pie charts, percentages), Bivariate analysis – Cross tabulations and Chisquare test including testing hypothesis of association.

UNIT - IV

Interpretation of Data and Paper Writing — Layout of a Research Paper, Journals in Computer Science, Impact factor of Journals, When and where to publish? Ethical issues related to publishing, Plagiarism and Self-Plagiarism. Use of Encyclopaedias, Research Guides, Handbook etc., Academic Databases for Computer Science Discipline.

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- 2. Business Research Methods Alan Bryman & Emma Bell, Oxford University Press.
- 3. Research Methodology C.R.Kothari