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Starting from 10th April 2023



COURSE CO-ORDINATOR

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## **Course Content:**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Module</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Credit</b>	<b>Hours</b>
1	Introduction	1. What is Research? 2. Types of Research 3. Historical Research: Meaning, Scope & Nature		2
2	Historical Sources	1. Concept of Primary & Secondary Sources 2. Sources for Ancient Indian History: Archeological Sources, Literary Sources, Miscellaneous Literature, Accounts of foreign travellers 3. Sources for Medieval Indian History: Literary Sources for the Delhi Sultanate (1206-1526), Literary Sources for the Mughal Period (1526-1707), Foreign Accounts, Archeological Sources 4. Sources for Modern and Contemporary Indian History: Archival Records, Contemporary Historical writings 5. Alternative Archives for Local History Writing	1	10

3	Research Steps	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Identify an idea, topic or research question</li> <li>2. Conduct a background literature review</li> <li>3. Refine the Research idea and Questions</li> <li>4. Research Design</li> <li>5. Identify and locate primary and secondary sources. Evaluate the Authenticity and Accuracy of source materials. Analyse the data and develop a narrative exposition of the findings.</li> </ol>	1	4
4	Writing of History	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Structure of a Research Paper</li> <li>2. Plagiarism and Research Ethics</li> <li>3. Use of Citations</li> <li>4. Research Article and Dissertation writing</li> </ol>	1	4
5	Preparing for Presentation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Formatting Tools: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. MS-Word</li> <li>b. PDF</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. PresentationTools: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. PPT</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	1	10
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### **Methodology:**

Classes will be held in Hybrid Mode – Online & Offline

### **Course Objectives:**

1. Develop an Understanding of the Basic Research steps & Techniques for Historical Research
2. Create awareness about plagiarism and research ethics
3. Enable them to prepare project reports and dissertations

**Assessment:**

1. Students will be evaluated at the end of the Course
2. After the completion of the Course College authority will issue certificates in “**An Outline of Research Methodology from Historical Perspective**” for Successful Participants.

**Teachers:**



PRADIPTA PAUL



KAUSHIK GHOSH



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