



MANGALORE UNIVERSITY
Department of Sociology
MA Sociology

SYE 458 Methods in Social Research

Course Outcome:

- CO1. Exposure to various research techniques and methods.
- CO2. Philosophical foundations of social research.
- CO3. Quantitative and qualitative strategies of research.
- CO4. Understanding of the nature of social phenomena,
- CO5. Issues involved in social research.
- CO6. Research methods as a means of understanding social reality.
- CO7. Exposure to the research techniques and methods.

Objectives:

This course aims to provide

- 1. An understanding of the nature of social phenomena, the issues involved in social research and the ways and means of understanding and studying social reality.
- 2. Study of research methods as a means of understanding social reality.
- 3. Exposure to the fundamentals of various research techniques and methods.
- 4. Introduction to the philosophical foundations of social research.
- 5. Acquaintance with the quantitative and qualitative strategies of research

UNIT – I Social Research: Hrs - 09

- a. Philosophical roots
- b. Problems in social research

UNIT – II Research Procedure: Hrs - 09

- a. Steps in social research
- b. Research designs

UNIT - III Methods in Social Research: Hrs - 10

- a. Deductive, quantitative – social survey and sampling types
- b. Inductive, qualitative – case study method

UNIT – IV Methods and Sources of Data: **Hrs - 10**

- a. Sources of primary data – observation, interview, questionnaire
- b. Sources of secondary data

UNIT – V Report Writing: **Hrs - 10**

- a. Types of report
- b. Qualities of report

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