



**MANGALORE UNIVERSITY**  
**MSc Geography**

**GYP558: Dissertation, field Study Tour**

**Course Learning Outcomes**

- CO1: Design and execute a meaningful research project that demonstrates spatial thinking  
CO2: Articulate research or project objectives and questions clearly and situate research within an academic or Scholarly context  
CO3: Understand the challenges of empirical geographical research  
CO4: Able to deal with practical research problems  
CO5: Narrate the research process clearly in the form of a formal multi-chapter master's dissertation in a structured format.  
CO6: Defend her/his thesis in any scholarly engagements

**Unit 1:** Methods of field investigation and its importance in geography. -14

**Unit 2:** Field work of different areas and levels (Micro-Meso-Macro). -13

**Unit 3:** Collection of field data, sampling methods and preparation of questionnaires. -14

**Unit 4:** Data input, processing, representation, analysis and interpretation (Using computer and GIS techniques) report writing. -13

**Note:**

1. Field study tour is a part of IV semester. Study tour is compulsory and to be conducted between end of the III semester and in the beginning of the IV semester for a duration of two weeks. Study tour report submission is compulsory.
2. Viva-Voice based on dissertation and study tour report.

**References:**

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