

**DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH**

**MANGLORE UNIVERSITY**

**SYLLABUS FOR COURSE WORK FOR PH.D IN ENGLISH**

BOS(PG) 23/10/2021

Course	Particulars	Hours of Instructions week	Duration of Exam (hrs.)	Marks			
				IA	Theory	Total	Credits
Course 1	Research Methodology	4	3	30	70	100	4
Course 2	Research and Publication Ethics (RPE)	1.2	3	30	70	100	2
Course 3	Review of Literature	4				150	6
	Review report Viva	4				50	
Total: 400							

## COURSE 1: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

Hours of Instructions in a Week: 4

Assessment:

End-semester Examination:	70 Marks (of 3 Hours)
One Term Paper:	15 Marks
One seminar:	15 Marks

### I. Concepts

1. Research proposal, Dissertation
2. Thesis, Hypothesis, Thesis Statement, the paragraph
3. Structure of a Ph.D dissertation
4. Style Sheets: MLA, Cambridge and Oxford
5. Using Word Processors: Page Setting and setting up styles
6. Using online Library Sources (such as Jstor and Project Muse)
7. Plagiarism and intellectual copy rights.

### II. Processes

1. Preparing the Research Proposal: Selecting a topic, review of literature, Working bibliography
2. Documentation: using the Library, accessing the internet, inter-library loan
3. Argumentative strategies: outlining, types of argument
4. Mechanics of writing: MLA style Manual and MLA Handbook; use of quotations; endnotes, footnotes, list of works cited, bibliography

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## **COURSE 2: RESEARCH AND PUBLICATION ETHICS (RPE)**

Hours of Instructions in a Week: 1.2

Assessment:

End-semester Examination:	70 Marks (of 3 Hours)
One Term Paper:	15 Marks
One seminar:	15 Marks

### **Course structure**

The course comprises of six modules listed in table below. Each module has 4-5 units.

<b>Modules</b>	<b>Unit title</b>	<b>Teaching</b>
<b>Theory</b>		
<b>RPE01</b>	Philosophy and Ethics	3
<b>RPE02</b>	Scientific Conduct	5
<b>RPE03</b>	Publication Ethics	7
<b>Practice</b>		
<b>RPE 04</b>	Open Access Publishing	4

<b>RPE05</b>	Publication Misconduct	4
<b>RPE 06</b>	Databases and Research Metrics	7
	<b>Total</b>	30

### 01. PHILOSOPHY AND ETHICS (3hrs.)

1. Introduction to philosophy: definition, nature and scope, concept, branches
2. Ethics: definition, moral philosophy, nature of moral judgements and reactions

### 02. SCIENTIFIC CONDUCT (5hrs.)

1. Ethics with respect to science and research
2. Intellectual honesty and research integrity
3. Scientific misconducts: Falsification, Fabrication and Plagiarism (FFP)
4. Redundant publications: duplicate and overlapping publications, salami slicing
5. Selective reporting and misrepresentation of data

### 03. PUBLICATION ETHICS (7hrs.)

1. Publication ethics: definition, introduction and importance
2. Best practices / standards setting initiatives and guidance: COPE, WAME, etc.
3. Conflicts of interest
4. Publication misconduct: definition, concept, problems that lead to unethical behaviour and vice versa, types
5. Violation of publication ethics, authorship and contributorship
6. Identification of publication misconduct, complaints and appeals
7. Predatory publishers and journals PRACTICE

### 04. OPEN ACCESS PUBLISHING (4hrs.)

1. Open access publications and initiatives
2. SHERPA/ROMEO online resource to check publisher copyright & self-archiving politics
3. Software tool to identify predatory publications developed by SPPU
4. Journal finder / journal suggestion tools viz. JANE, ElsevierJournalFinder, Springer Journal Suggester, etc.

### 05. PUBLICATION MISCONDUCT (4hrs.)

#### A. Group Discussions (2hrs.)

1. Subject specific ethical issues, FFP, authorship
2. Conflicts of interest
3. Complaints and appeals: examples and fraud from India and abroad

**B. Software tools (2hrs.)**

Use of Plagiarism software like Turnitin, Urkund and other open source software tools

**06.DATABASES AND RESEARCH METRICS (7hrs.)**

**A. Database (4 hrs.)**

1. Indexing databases
2. Citation databases: Web of Science, Scopus, etc.

**B. Research Metrics (3 hrs.)**

1. Impact Factor of journal as per journal Citation Report, SNIP, SJR, IPP, Cite Score
2. Metrics: h-index, g index, i10 index, altmetrics

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### **COURSE -3: REVIEW OF LITERATURE**

Hours of Instructions in a Week: 3 (to be taught by the Guide)

Assessment:

Report:	150 Marks
Viva:	50 Marks
Credits:	6

- I. Survey of Recent Primary Reference Materials: The candidate is expected to prepare a critical bibliography of the primary reference materials that have appeared with an emphasis on preparation that have appeared in the last ten years.
  
- II. Survey of Secondary and Tertiary Reference Materials: The Candidate is expected to prepare a critical bibliography of the secondary and tertiary reference materials that have appeared in the last ten years.
  
- III. Recent Critical and Theoretical Developments that have occurred in the last Five years
  
- IV. A Review report in approximately 25 printed A4 sheets.

**Note:** 1) Items I to III must end in a good and usable bibliography that the student can actually attach at the end of his dissertation, and

2) There shall be a viva voce examination for 50 marks.



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The Registrar  
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Sir,

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Please find herewith the revised syllabus for PhD Course Work in English in which the two credit course RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS ETHICS (RPE) has been included as per the directions of the University Grants Commission.

Thank you  
Yours sincerely,

Prof. Parinitha  
Chairperson – BOS (UG&PG)

Encl:

The Copy of the revised syllabus.

