



Two Weeks Capacity Building Programme on Research Methodology and Academic Writing for Teachers and Researchers

In

**SOCIAL SCIENCES
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**MDU-Centre for Professional and Allied Studies
(MDU-CPAS) Gurugram
Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak,
Haryana (India)**

About Maharshi Dayanand University (MDU)

Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak, established in 1976 as a residential University with the objective of promoting inter-disciplinary higher education and research with special emphasis on studies of environmental, ecological, and life sciences, is making rapid progress to emerge as a leading educational institution of the nation. The overall progress made by the University in all fields resulted in the University receiving an 'A+' grade from NAAC in March 2019. The University has entered into national and international level strategic tie-ups with academic and research organizations for joint academic and research programs. Recently, University has signed MoU with National Skill Development Corporation to facilitate the skill development of University students. The University aspires to be a leading 'transformative learning community' recognized worldwide for excellence in teaching, research, and service and as a catalyst for intellectual, social, cultural, and economic development.

About MDU-CPAS

MDU-CPAS, Gurugram is a maintained institution of Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak formerly known as University Institute of Law and Management Studies (ULIMS) was established, initially under the name 'National Law College'. It is sprawling over land of 10 acres to cater to the requirements of the emerging commercial hub of the country at Gurugram. It has a resourceful library with facility for online access to electronic databases and sufficient computer

Lab. It offers programmes in management and legal studies both in morning and evening sessions. Faculty at MDU- CPAS provides comprehensive education and is engaged in high impact research across disciplines.

About Research Methodology Programme

The ICSSR Training and Capacity Building Programmes are extending financial support for organizing workshop on research methodology and capacity building programme to cater the needs of the social science faculties. These days Social science research is acting as a device for predicting social behavior, its planning and control. Social science research has assumed great significance as it contributes to societal development and ultimately to the nation.

Society is a diverse set of individuals and is highly interlinked, which has reshaped the research in social sciences. Now there is a need to bring together different disciplinary experts to respond to societal problems and promote their knowledge. Multidisciplinary research refers to how two or more disciplines contribute to understanding and defining what learning is. Some researchers (e.g., Strober 2011) describe cross-disciplinary, interdisciplinary, multi-disciplinary and trans-disciplinary as Parallel concepts. Under the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), University Grants Commission (UGC) announced Scheme for Trans-disciplinary Research for India's Developing Economy (STRIDE) while understanding the importance of multidisciplinary research in 2019. Scheme for promotion of academic and research collaboration (SPARC) is another initiative by MHRD towards the promotion of multidisciplinary research. Over the years, one can identify a transition in the Indian higher education from a narrow disciplinary focus towards multidisciplinary engagements. A formal recognition of this is provided by the NEP 2020

Another challenge in social science research is quality writing (academic writing). Various universities & research agencies are conducting research and producing their findings with an aim to address social problems along with its multifaceted relevance. However, the atrocities of the university and research organizations are that they are not able to produce effective academic writing. According to many academicians, university and research organizations in India do not have sufficient infrastructure to produce quality researchers. Through ages it is seen that the skill of quality writing has been learnt by academicians/researchers own their own. If early career teachers & researchers get enough exposure, training and support, academicians from India, for sure, will be the best in academic writing for many years to come. According to the data, poor writing skills (academic writing), inappropriate selection of methods and methodology, wrong selection of journal, are one of the top 10 reasons for rejection of manuscripts. In an attempt to improve research and academic writing, ICSSR(a government of India initiative established in 1969 for promoting social science research) is conducting capacity building programme through various institutions/ organizations, which not only contributes on enhancing the skills towards research but also attempt to inculcate writing skills and provide exposure to various stages of the publication processes.

The biggest strength of academic writers is that they can improve through practice & training. The process of practice & training often involves lots of guidance & efforts. The academic writer needs time to (a) search for appropriate style, academic & logical consistency, clarity pertaining to each type of writing and publication avenue, acknowledging the contributions & information made by other academicians (b) understand them (c) practice these skills over the years.

- This CBP intends to fill up the above gaps. In fact, the NEP 2020 (https://niepid.nic.in/nep_2020.pdf, p. 43) envisages such a course for “All fresh Ph.D. entrants irrespective of discipline, will be required to take credit-based courses in teaching/ education/ pedagogy/ *writing*”.
- Given the experience, interests, and expertise available with the sponsoring and hosting organization, the proposed CBP intends to enrich the capability of conducting quality research among early teachers and researchers of social sciences and further bring out

research output into publishable material of high-quality in the form of journal articles or books.

Objectives of the Programme

The objectives of the Programme are to-

- To create awareness about the importance of research in social sciences,
- To encourage the researchers for doing multidisciplinary research in social sciences,
- To acquaint the faculty with various modern research methodologies,
- To create awareness about bibliometric analysis, systematic literature review, and meta-analysis,
- To train the participants to use descriptive and predictive statistical tools using software like SPSS, AMOS etc.,
- To familiarize the participants with uni-variate, bivariate, and multivariate tools & techniques used in social science research.
- To acquaint the students with various referencing styles using Mendeley, Zotero, etc.
- To develop their potential as social science researchers/ future academicians for diverse sets of publications,
- To provide exposure to research and publication ethics,
- To offer a 'ringside view' of publication processes in a Scopus-indexed and UGC-CARE-listed journal.

Eligibility Criteria

All Teachers and Researchers in UGC-recognized Indian Universities/ Deemed Universities/ Colleges/ Institutes of National importance and ICSSR Research Institutes.

Intake

The intake for the course shall be maximum of 30 (10 from local, 10 from Haryana state other than local, and 10 from outside the Haryana state) participants from social science disciplines.

Please Note:

1. The selection to the course will be made as per ICSSR guidelines.
2. **No leave of any kind is permissible during the course period.**
3. Personal laptop with your own internet connectivity is compulsory.

Registration Fees: There is no registration fee for the selected participants.

Accommodation & Travel Allowance

- Accommodation will be provided to the outstation participants only.
- Lunch and refreshments for all participants will be served.
- Travel allowance will be extended to the outstation participants only as per the ICSSR guidelines.

How to Apply:

Interested candidate can apply for the programme by sending a scanned copy of Registration form at cbpmdupas@gmail.com. All applicants must also do the online registration (link as below).

Registration_link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSep38IlkHIHRv7kYeH8cJ6oHL0IFLt7iYoXX7cezMnbSxp8ow/viewform?usp=sharing>

Important Dates:

Last Date of Registration: 23.08.2023

Intimation to selected candidates: 27.08.2023

Dates of the Programme: 1st Sept to 15th Sept 2023

Venue: MDU-CPAS, Sector 40, Gurugram (Haryana).

For any query:

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Committee:



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Prof. Rajbir Singh

Vice Chancellor, MDU Rohtak



Dr. Kailash Kumar

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Dr. Vijay Rathee
Course Director



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Co-Course Director



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REGISTRATION FORM

Name (IN BLOCK LETTERS): _____

Gender: _____

Category (SC/ST/OBC/EWS/UR/Others): _____

Name of the University/Institute: _____

Name of the department: _____

Have you attended ICSSR sponsored similar workshop before (Yes/No)? _____

Whether you require accommodation (Yes/No)? _____

Correspondence address of your institute: _____

Email id: _____

Contact No: _____

Applicant (Name with Signature):

Note: Filled in copy of this form must reach as mail attachment to cbpmducpas@GMAIL.COM on or before August 23, 2023. All applicants must also do the online registration (link as below)

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSep38IIkHIHRv7kYeH8cJ6oHL0IFlt7iYoXX7cezMnbSxp8ow/vi ewform?usp=sharing> Forms received later than August 23, 2023 shall not be accepted.