



**UTKAL UNIVERSITY  
POSTGRADUATE DEPARTMENT OF LAW**

**Vani Vihar, Bhubaneswar, Odisha**

**Syllabus for Ph.D Course in Law**

**Duration of the Course:** Six Months

**Total Marks:** 400 Marks

**Duration of the Examination:** 3 hrs

**Examination Centre:** P.G. Department of Law, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar

**Paper-I: LEGAL RESEARCH METHODOLOGY (Unit OS X 20 Marks = 100 Marks)**

**Classes:** 0-4 Classes per week for 10 weeks, total 40 classes. 5 Units - each unit 8 hours.

**Evaluation:** Continuous evaluation by faculty consisting of 5 Unit tests to be conducted at the end of each Unit. The total mark for each Unit is 20. Pass Mark would be 40%. If the student fails in any unit, s/he may be allowed two more chances by the faculty with a gap of one week each.

**UNIT-I: CONCEPT, SCOPE AND MODE OF LEGAL RESEARCH**

- Concept and Nature of Research

• Nature and scope of legal research

- Objective of legal research
- Utility of legal research

• Doctrinal or Traditional Research

• Non-doctrinal or Empirical Research

• Descriptive and Analytical Research

• Applied and Fundamental Research

• Historical Research and Sociological Research

• Quantitative and Qualitative research

**UNIT-II: Research Planning Methods of Investigation**

Identification, Selection and Formulation of a Research Problem.

- Research Design.
- Scientific Method of Investigation.
- Case Study Method of Investigation.
- Survey Method of Investigation.

- Experimental Method of Investigation.
- Discussion Method of Investigation.

#### **UNIT-III Method and Tools for Collecting of Data:**

- Primary Data Method
- Secondary Data Method:
- Significance of Secondary Data
- Evaluating Secondary Data
- Sources of Secondary Data
- Schedule.
- Questionnaire, Pre-testing in Questionnaire
- Pilot Study, and Tests.
- Cumulative Record Cards.

#### **UNIT-IV Identification of Research Issues, Formulation and Validation of Hypothesis**

- Identification of research Issues
- Identification of research Problems
- Meaning, significance and utility of Hypothesis
- Formulation of hypothesis
- Estimation and Testing of hypothesis.
- Hypothesis Testing / Validation Procedure.
- Relation between theory and hypothesis.

#### **UNIT - V Preparation of Research Report and Doctoral Thesis.**

- Introduction.
- Types of Report.
- Contents of a Report./Thesis
- Steps and formatting in Drafting Reprt/Thesis
- Uniform Citations system
  - Preparation of Footnotes and End Notes
  - Preparation of Table of Cases
  - Preparation of Bibliography

**Paper-II**  
**LEGALRESEARCHANDCOMPUTERAPPLICATION(05UnitsX20**  
**Marks=100Marks)**

**Classes:** 4Classesperweekincludingpracticalfor10weeks.

**Evaluation:** Continuous evaluationbyfacultyconsisting of5 Unitteststo be  
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wouldbe40%.Ifthestudentfailsinanyunit,S/hemaybeallowedtwomorechancesbythefaculty  
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**UNIT-IComputerApplicationandLegalResearch.**

- Introduction.
- Jurimetrics.
- RoleofComputersinthefieldofLegalResearch.
- RoleofLawJournals.
- InternetandLegalRepository

**UNIT-II.Sampling:**

- ImportanceofSampling.
- AdvantagesandLimitationsofSampling .
- TheoreticalbasisofSampling
- TypesofSampling.
- ProbabilityandNon-probabilitySampling
- SamplingandNon-samplingError.

**UNIT-III.DataProcessingthroughComputerSoftware**

- Dataentry
- Editing
- Coding
- Tabulation..

**UNITIVAnaiysisanctInterpretationOfData: ,**

- ApplicationofConter)tAnalysisinLegalResearch , , ,'
- AnalysisofAggregatebata.
- DC)talInterprettionandReportwriting. .
- ColletionandAnalysisData. . . . .

**UNITVBasicLeglReseachonInternet**

- BasicComputerApplic.ations
- SearchingCourtWebsites-

- Searching Legal Dictionaries and Legal Repositories
- Use of Governmental websites
- Guide to Law Online
- Use of Microsoft Excel
- LexisONE: Free Case Law/Westlaw
- Searching for Electronic Legal Journals
- The Commonwealth Legal Information Institute (CommonII)
- U Database.

#### **PAPER IV PRESENTATION OF SEMINAR (50+50=100 Marks)**

##### UNIT-I Review of Literature

- Meaning and utility
- Selection
- Classification review materials U

##### NIT-II Review of Cases

- Meaning and utility
- Selection
- Classification review of dec; id d\_cases

##### UNIT-III Review of Legal Instruments

- Meaning and utility
- Selection
- Classification of Legal Instruments.

##### UNIT-IV Review of Parliamentary Documents

- Meaning and utility.
- Selection
- Classification of Parliamentary Documents
- V Review of Governmental and International Legal Reports and documents
- Meaning and utility
- Selection
- Classification of Governmental and International Legal Reports and documents

**Evaluation:** Each seminar presentation would carry 50 Marks. Marks would be allotted by the SRC. The SRC may direct the student to revise the Seminar paper and make fresh presentation.

**General Instruction:** No Marks sheet or Diploma or Certificate would be issued. Head of the Department/Head of the Recognized Centre would issue only a course completion certificate. The presentation of review of literature and Seminars including great ones must be completed within six months from the date of admission.

of the Pre-Doctoral coursework

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