

Department of English & Other European Languages
Syllabus for Ph. D. (English) Entrance Exam

Part – A
(Research Aptitude)

- Introduction to Research: Meaning, Characteristics, Need, Objective and importance of research in languages, Types of Research, Types of Research Design and Stages in Research Process
- Research: Definition and Concepts- Difference between criticism and research, thesis and dissertation, and different steps in research.
- Research Procedure: selection of topic
- Types of source materials- collection of materials- methods of preparing notes- card systems and file system- determining the type of data to be collected- collection, analysis and processing of the data to be collected- outline of thesis.
- Structure of the thesis: Survey of literature- preparation of time schedule- three parts of thesis – reference material chapter division-documentation-footnoting-quotations- style of thesis writing- bibliography- appendix- table- observations- preparation of type script and lay-out of thesis.
- Different strategies in humanities and Cultural Studies research
- Source materials for cultural studies research, Textual analysis, Discourse analysis, Narrative analysis, Historical analysis

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Part – B
(English Literature)

- Chaucer to Shakespeare
- Jacobean to Restoration Periods
- 18th century Literature
- Romantic Period
- Victorian and Pre-Raphaelites
- Modern Period
- Contemporary Period
- American and other non-British Literatures
- Literary Theory and Criticism
- Rhetoric and Prosody
- Literary Comprehension (with internal choice of poetry stanza/prose passage, five comprehension questions should be asked)
- Indian writing in English and Indian Literature in English translation
- American and other non-British English Literatures
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- English Language and Linguistics
- Gender studies and English literature
- Diaspora literature
- Commonwealth Literature
- Post-colonial Literature