SYLLABUS - Ph.D. Semester - I PHDSW101: SOCIAL WORK RESEARCH

Unit I Social Science Research

Scientific Method

Use of Scientific Method in Social Science Research.

Approaches to Social Science Research: Quantitative, Qualitative and Integrated. Concepts, Constructs, Variables, Hypothesis, Cause and Effect Relationship.

Review of Literature Levels of Measurement,

Theory Construction - Meaning, Inductive and Deductive Methods. Ethics in Social Work Research

Unit -II: Research Design

Research Designs; Survey Research Designs; Exploratory, Descriptive, Explanatory and Experimental Research Designs
Action Research Evaluation Research

Unit III: Sampling and Data Collection

Universe, Population, Sample unit

Sampling Design- Probability and non-probability and types of sampling Determination of Sample Size

Methods of Data Collection Tools of Data Collection Reliability and Validity

Unit IV: Quantitative Research

Data Processing and Analysis: Types of Data, Data Processing: Editing, Coding Data Analysis: Univariate, Bivariate and Multivariate Data Analysis Parametric and Non-parametric tests Software for Social Research Analysis

Unit V: Qualitative Research

Theoretical Perspectives and Approaches in Qualitative Research Qualitative Methods and Tools of Data Collection

Analyzing Qualitative Data: Coding, Content analysis.

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