



DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

MINUTES OF THE BOS MEETING – SOCIAL WORK – 11TH MAY, 2016

Venue: Conference Room, CUK, Periye

Members Present: Dr. Jilly John, Dr. Renjith R. Pillai (Internal Expert)
Dr. Sekar, Dr. B T Lawani, Dr. Rameela Shekhar (External Expert)

1. Dr. John, Dean, School of Social Sciences, welcomed the participants and recommended the board to consider the women sensitivity issues and conflict resolution issues.
2. Board decided to have concurrent field work in all the 4 semesters in addition to block field work
3. Collaboration in terms of development of electives with other departments to be initiated.
4. The board discussed on the course structure, added few more details on the papers.
5. Based on the Dean's suggestion, the Board recommends that training of trainers to be organised on the areas – women issues and conflict resolution on the larger framework of disaster management.
6. Recommends for a centre for women studies from UGC at CUK.
7. The board also recommends proposals to be forwarded to ICSSR for setting up a Centre for Disaster Management as a virtual Department with involvement of allied Departments.
8. Board discussed in detail, the faculty involvement in supervision of field work and handholding support provided at the field level for students. Field work agencies are scattered in and around Kasargod District (approximately 70 square kilometers). The board strongly recommends that the direct cost involved in travelling to these social laboratories is reimbursed.

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External Expert

Dr. B T Lawani
External Expert

Dr. Rameela Shekhar
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Dr. Jilly John
Chairperson

Dr. Renjith R. Pillai
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HMS 5203 – SOCIAL WORK RESEARCH AND STATISTICAL APPLICATIONS

Course Objectives

- Develop an understanding of scientific approach to human inquiry
- Acquire the required skills and knowledge to use appropriate statistical methods in the field
- Develop ability to conceptualize, formulate and conduct simple research projects/exercises
- Understand the importance of Quantitative and Qualitative research in Social Work

Course Outline

Unit 1 Introduction to Social Research

- Definitions and Objectives of Social Research and Social Work Research Nature and Scope of Scientific Enquiry
- Basic Elements of Scientific Method: Concepts, Conceptual and Operational Definitions, Variables, Assumptions, and Hypothesis
- Review of Literature
- Identification and Formulation of Research Problem, and Objectives Reliability and Validity
- Ethical considerations in Research

Unit 2 Research Process

- Research Design: Definition and Importance
- Types of Research: Explorative, Descriptive, Diagnostic, Experimental, Evaluation, Participatory, Intervention and Action Research
- Sources and Types of Data: Primary and Secondary; Methods – Quantitative, Qualitative and Mixed Methods
- Sampling: Definition, Purpose and Types- Probability and Non-probability Sampling Tools of Data Collection: Questionnaire and Interview schedule
- Steps and guidelines in the construction of Research Instruments Research Proposal: Major steps in the construction of a Research Proposal

Unit 3 Qualitative Research Methods for Social Work Nature, Concept and Definition of Qualitative Research Advantages and disadvantages of Qualitative Research

- Tools of Data Collection in Qualitative Research: Observation, Focus Group
- Discussion, In-depth Interview, Case Studies.
- Possible biases and measures to ensure objectivity- Triangulation

Unit 4 Quantitative Analysis and Statistical Procedures Purpose, Use and limitations of statistical methods Data processing, tabulation and presentation

- Descriptive Statistics: Measures of Central Tendency- Mean, Median, Mode
- Measures of Variability: Range and Standard Deviation; Normal distribution Inferential Statistics: Correlation-Meaning and Scope
- Significance Tests: Pearson's Chi-Square and 't' test, Use of Software Packages in Data Analysis - SPSS Interpretation and presentation of the statistical findings

Unit 5 Qualitative Data Analysis and Research Report Qualitative Data Analysis and Interpretation of the Findings Major Components of a Research Report

- Formats for Presentation the Report

- Need and Importance of referencing in research Major referencing styles – APA, Harvard and MLA

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