

**University of Lucknow
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Syllabus for Ph.D. Entrance Examination

Paper 1 Research Methodology

Nature and Purpose of Research

- Meaning and Objectives of Research
- Importance of Sociological Research
- Epistemological and Ontological approaches to research
- Social and Legal research strategies

Quantitative Research

- Nature of quantitative research
- Sampling
- Methods of data collection
- Methods for collection of statutory and case materials
- Use of comparative and historical research materials
- Case Study
- Structured observation
- Self compiled questionnaire
- Content analysis
- Scaling techniques
- Jurimetrics
- Quantative data analysis
- Primary and secondary sources

Qualitative Research

- Nature of qualitative research
- Ethnography and participant observation in research
- Interview in qualitative research
- Projective techniques
- Documents a source of data
- Personal diaries, letters, autobiographies, official documents
- Qualitative content analysis and semiotics
- Qualitative data analysis
- Integrating qualitative and quantitative research

Research Strategies

- Legislative material including subordinate legislation, notification and policy
- Decisional materials including foreign decisions, methods discovering the rule of the case
- Tracing history of important cases and ensuring these have not been overruled
- Juristic writing
- Survey of juristic literature
- Compilation of reports
- Special studies conducted relevant to the problem

Literature Search

- Books, Journals, reports, legislation
- Indexes to periodicals
- Digests of cases
- Other materials and sources

Research Design

- Components of research design

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- Hypothesis/researchable questionnaire
- Review and Methodology

Computer assisted research

- Using the internet as a research tool
- Study of legal research programs such as Lexis, West Law, Manupatra etc.

Writing Research Report

- Author – date system footnote and endnote system
- Citing for the first time and subsequent citing list
- list of abbreviations used in citation
- bibliographical entries
- the Blue book – A uniform system of citation

Paper II Subject Specific

- The syllabus of the subject specific part will be the same as prescribed for the PG Programs of the University of Lucknow.

General Guidelines

- Both paper I and II will contain 35 questions of one mark each.
- The test therefore will be of 70 marks.
- There will be no negative marking.
- Candidates will have the option to appear in the test for maximum two subjects if they are eligible in both of them.
- The Ph.D. entrance test will be held in one sitting, 90 minutes for candidates appearing in one subject and 135 minutes for candidates appearing in two subjects within the same faculty.
- Marks obtained in paper I by candidates who appear in two subjects within the same faculty will be added to the marks obtained in the subject specific paper.
 - Example: Candidate obtains 33 marks in paper I, 27 in first subject (A) and 25 in second subject (B).
 - The marks in Subject A will be $33 + 27 = 60$
 - The marks in Subject B will be $33 + 25 = 58$
- In case the candidate has applied for two subjects in different faculties, they will have to appear in both the paper I and Paper II of each faculty.