CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY COURSE TEMPLATE

1. Academic Learning Compact/Academic Learning Plan (ALC/ALP)

Course Title: Research Methods in Child Psychology – I				
Course Code: MAPSYCC-102	No. of Credits: 04			
Department/Discipline: Psychology	Faculty: 01			
Learning Hours: 60				
Lect./Lab./Tuto./Gr.Study/Pri.Study				
Student Quota: 35				
Course Type: Core				
Core/Elective/Foundation/ Generic				
Offered in Academic Year: 2018-19	Odd Semester: I			

2. Course Objective

- 1. To impart knowledge about basic concepts of research methodology.
- 2. To train them in the research methods and designs in Psychology and to equip them to take up psychological research independently.

3. Course Content

Unit	Topics	Content /Fundamental Concept	Unit wise SLO
1.	Introduction of	1.1 Meaning of Research	Know about the meaning
	Research	1.2 What is Social Research	and objective of Social
		1.3 Nature and Objectives of	research.
		Social Research	
		1.4 Major Steps in Research	Be familiar with the steps
		Process	of research process.
		1.5 Types of Research	Differentiate among
		Basic ResearchApplied Research	various types of the
		- Action Research	research.
		1.6Importance, Need or Utility	
		of Research	Know about importance
		1.7 Importance of Knowledge	of knowledge of research.
		of Research	

		1.8Research Method Versus	
		Methodology	
		1.9 Criteria of Good Research	
		Problems Encountered by	
		Researchers in India	
2.	Research	2.1 Research Problem	Know about research
	Problem,	- Meaning	problem features in
	Hypotheses and	- Characteristics and	detail.
	Variable	Criteria of a Good	
		Problem	Know about meaning,
		- Origins or Sources of	types and sources of
		Research Problem	hypothesis.
		2.2 Selecting the Research	
		Problem	
		2.3 Necessary Considerations	
		for Selecting a Research	
		Problem	
		2.4 Necessity of Defining the	
		Problem	
		2.5 Technique involved in	
		Defining a Problem	
		2.6Hypothesis	
		- Meaning	
		- Nature	
		- Characteristics of a	
		Scientific or a Good	
		Hypothesis	
		- Sources of Bases of	
		Hypothesis	

		- Types of Hypothesis		
		2.7 Suggestions or		
		Considerations for		
		Hypothesis Construction		
		2.8 Variable		
		- Meaning		
		- Type of Variable		
3.	Exploratory and	3.1 Meaning and Nature of	Become familiar about	
	Descriptive study	exploratory study	the meaning and	
		3.2 Methods and Limitation of	Methods of exploratory	
		exploratory study	study.	
		3.3 Descriptive Research		
		- Meaning and Nature	Also discuss about	
		- Role and scope of	important concepts	
		descriptive study	relating to Descriptive	
		- Steps, importance and	Research.	
		limitation of descriptive		
		study	Know about various	
		3.4Types of Descriptive	Types of Descriptive	
		Research	Research.	
		- Survey research		
		- Case study methods		
		- Co relational research		
		- Ex-post facto research		
4.	Field study and	4.1 Meaning, Nature,	Get inform about Nature,	
	laboratory research	characteristics and	characteristics and	
		differences of field study	differences of field study.	
		4.2 Types, steps, advantage and	Know about experimental	
		limitation of field study	study	
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4.3 Experimental research	
- Types of experimental	
research	
4.4Experimental validity	

4. Course Teaching & Learning Activities

Lectures (hrs) In/out of Class	Interactive Tutorial (hrs) In/Out	Laboratory (hrs)	Case Discussion (hrs)	Field Trip (hrs)	Projects (hrs)	Web Based Learning (hrs)	Others (hrs)
45	03	NA	03	03	03	03	
M	О	NA	О	О	О	О	

M- Mandatory Activity for the course, O-optional Activity, NA-not applicable

5. Assessment Schemes (including rationale)

Time	Description	Weight
-	-	05
		05
-	-	20
-	-	70
		Time Description

6. Course Schedule

Class/Week	Date	Topic	Requirements
01 to 04	July	Unit-I	Appeared in
05 to 08	August	Unit-II	semester- I
09 to 12	September	Unit-III	
13 to 15	October	Unit-IV	

7. Recommended learning Resources

- 1. Handouts
- 2. Textbooks/e books
- 3. Reference books
- 4. On Line Resources
- 5. Question Bank

8. Reference Books

- 1. Kothari C.R. (2009): Research Methodology: Methods and Techniques, Second Revised Edition, New Age International Publishers, New Delhi
- 2. Dhila B.D. (2011): Sanshodhan Paddhti Samajik Vigyanoma (2011): Gujarati Edition, Akshar Publication, Ahmedabad.
- 3. Kerlinger F. N. (1999):Foundation of Behavioural Research, Second RevisedEdition, Surgeet Publication, New York.