

Ph.D in Law Syllabus (Total 32 Credits)

Course-1: RLE - 001

1. Research Methodology (8 Credits)

Nature of Research – An Introduction:

- 1) What is Research?
- 2) Relevance of Legal Research?
 - Objective of Legal Research.
 - Need for Legal Research and Importance of inter-disciplinary approach.
 - Significance of Legal Research in India.
 - Legal Research as a profession in India.
- 3) Types of Research
 - Doctrinal or Traditional Research.
 - Non-doctrinal or Empirical Research.
 - Descriptive and Analytical Research.
 - Applied and Fundamental Research.
 - Qualitative and Quantitative Research.
 - Law Reform Research.
 - Historical Research.
 - Sociological Research.

2. Research Processes

- Identification of Research Problems.
- Review of Literature.
- Selection of a Research Problem
- Formulation of a Hypothesis.
- Research Design.
- Hypothesis.

3. Methods of Investigation and tools for collection of data

1) Primary Data method.

- Experimental and Participatory/ Scientific Method.
- Case Study Method.
- Survey Method.
- Discussion Method.
- Observation Method.
- Interview Method.
- Mail Survey Method.
- Questionnaire (Open ended and Close ended)
- Pilot Study Method.

2) Secondary Data Method.

- Case Law Method.
- Cumulative Record Cards.

3) Tabulation and Evaluation of Data.

4) Sampling

- (i) Advantages and Limitations of Sampling.
- (ii) Theoretical basis of Sampling
 - Probability and Non- probability Sampling
- (iii) Classifications of sampling
 - Simple Random Sampling
 - Stratified Sampling
 - Cluster Sampling
 - Systematic Sampling
 - Non- random sampling
 - Purposive Sampling
 - Convenience Sampling
 - Judgment Sampling
- (iv) Sampling and Non- sampling Error.

5) Analysis and Interpretation of Data

- Application of Content Analysis in Legal Research.
- Analysis of aggregate Data.
- Data Interpretation.
- Legal input Analysis, the ideal and the practicable.
- Data Processing- Summarizing of data, Codification and Tabulation.
- Writing a Research Report- Types, Contents and steps involved in drafting of a Report.

6) Scientific Tools in Research

- Introduction.
- Jurimetrics.
- Use of SPSS and other packages in Legal research.
- Avoiding/Detecting plagiarism.
- Writing the research report/Bibliography/Presentation styles

Course 2: RLE – 002

Constitutional Law (Part A) and Jurisprudence (Part B) (8 Credits)

Part A (4 Credits)

1. Constitutional Law

- Preamble
- Fundamental Rights and Duties.
- Directive Principles of State Policy.
- Judiciary.
- Executive.
- Union State Legislative Relations.
- Emergency Provisions.
- Amendment to the Constitution of India.
- Writ Jurisdiction.

Part B (4 Credits)

2. Jurisprudence

- Nature and Source of Law.
- Positivism, Natural Law Theory, Sociological Jurisprudence.
- Rights and Duties.
- Concepts of Possession and Ownership.
- Judicial Process and Social Transformation.
- Judicial Activism.
- Social Justice.
- Empowerment of women.

Course 3: RLE - 003

Seminars/Presentations in the areas of Specialization (Optional) (8 Credits)

Options for areas of Specialization –

- (A) Public International Law**
- (B) Law of Contracts: General Principles**
- (C) Law of Torts**
- (D) Law of Crimes: General principles**
- (E) Environmental Law**
- (F) Cyber Law**
- (G) IPR**
- (H) Family Law**
- (I) Human Rights**
- (J) Business Law**
- (K) Any other area/ topic as per the requirement.**

Course 4: RLE - 004

Seminars/Presentations in the areas of Research (8 Credits)

Each Student will have to present two Seminars before the Faculty Members/Research Scholars in the area of his/her research. Each Seminar/ Presentation will carry 50 marks.