

Course Specification for Research Methods

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| College | Zulfi College of Education | | |
| Department | English Language Department | | |
| Course Name: | Research Methods | Course Code | ENGL 411 |
| Level | 8 | Credit Hours | 3hrs |
| Course Objective | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Demonstrate knowledge of the various stages of research 2. Show knowledge of different research methods in linguistics, literature and language learning 3. Demonstrate mastery of the different research tools, data collection and data analysis methods 4. Write a research proposal | | |
| Course Content | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction | | |
| | <p>Research: Fundamental Concepts</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. (Definition, terms, philosophy, aims, objectives, difference between research subject and research topic, etc.). | | |
| | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Starting a Research Project: Study problem (stating the problem), formulating research questions/hypotheses, etc. | | |
| | <p>The Literature and Theoretical Framework (central ideas of how to read and review the relevant literature).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. How to quote and cite sources correctly and validly. - | | |
| | <p>Data: description and collection methods.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Differences between Quantitative, Qualitative and Mixed Methods | | |
| | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Writing a research proposal (they need to write a proposal at this level and keep working on it as the course proceeds). | | |
| | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Methods of data collection: General Introduction | | |
| | <p>Questionnaires, Interviews, Observation, Focus Group Discussions, etc.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. (practice doing one of these methods) | | |
| | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. Data Analysis: Key Ideas and Methods | | |
| | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10. Results and Discussion: How to present and discuss findings | | |
| | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. Summary, Conclusion and Recommendations/Implications | | |
| | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 12. Final exam and project submission/presentation | | |
| Required Textbook | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Griffiee, D. T. (2012) An Introduction to Second Language Research Methods: Design and Data. Published by TESL-EJ Publications, USA. | | |

