

**—OBJECTIVES:**

Recent years in our Universities have witnessed a remarkable increase in the number of research scholars. This partly because research degree has become essential for getting an academic assignment and partly because the number of educational institutions had increased considerably. The course Research Methodology aimed acquainting students about the principal processes of research in History. All the essential processes viz. the collection of source materials, the critical examination of sources, the interpretation of facts and techniques and other aspects of research and writing history have been highlighted in this course. This course should provide the students an understanding of the research process.

**OUTCOME:**

This course will provide depth knowledge, keen interest and research attitude to the students and researchers. The students are enable to know what exactly research is and how it is conducted. This course will promote the students to do research in a scientific way in History.

**Unit – I:**

- (a) Meaning of Research in History, its importance and scope
- (b) Selection of Topic for Research
- (c) Typologies of topics for Research

**Unit – II:**

- (a) Sources for Historical Research
  - (a) Secondary
  - (b) Original

### Unit – III:

- (a) Note taking
- (b) Referencing
- (c) Bibliography

### Unit – IV:

Some representative Sources of Indian History:

- (a) Ancient Indian History:- Lothal, Inscription of Girnar, Kautilya's Arthashastra Traveller's account
- (b) Medieval Indian History  
Sultunat India : *Champaner*, Medieval inscriptions, Barni, traveller's account
- (c) Mughal India : Fatehpur Sikri, *Ain-I Akbari* of Abul Fazl, traveller's account
- (d) Modern Indian History : Nehru Memorial Library and Museum, autobiography of Indu Lal Yagnik, Traveller's account of the Modern Indian History

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