Course Code	Course Title	Credits	Lectures /Week
USCS4071	Research Methodology	2	3

About the Course:

The course aims to understand the basics research, how research problems are defined, research methods are adopted and/or developed, research is undertaken, and how research results are communicated to the peers.

Course Objectives:

- The research methodology course is proposed to assist students in planning and carrying out research projects.
- The students are exposed to the principles, procedures and techniques of implementing research project.
- The course starts with an introduction to research and carries through the various methodologies involved.
- It continues with finding out the literature using technology, basic statistics required for research and finally report writing.

Learning Outcomes:

After successful completion of this course, students would be able to

- Define research, formulate problem and describe the research process and research methods.
- Understand and apply basic research methods including research design, data analysis and interpretation.
- Understand ethical issues in research, write research report, research paper and publish the paper.

Unit	Topics		
I	 Introduction to Research Methodology: Meaning of Research, Objectives of Research, Motivations in Research, types of Research, Research Approaches, Significance of Research, Research Methods v/s Methodology, Research and Scientific Methods, Research Process, Criteria of Good Research. Defining the Research Problem: Concept and need, Identification of Research problem, defining and delimiting Research problem. 		
	Formulating a Research Problem: Reviewing Literature, formulating a Research Problem, Research Question, Identifying Variables, Constructing Hypothesis The Research Design: Meaning, Need for Research Design, Important Concepts, Different Research Designs, Basic Principles of Experimental Designs.	15	
II	Tools for Data Collection: Collections of Primary Data, Collection of Data through questionnaire and Schedules, other Observation Interview Methods,	15	