

University of Pune
Ph. D. in French
(Syllabus for Course Work: w.e.f June 2010)

Eligibility

M.A. in French and any other criteria as stipulated by the University such as entrance test, if applicable.

Structure

The structure is as per the UGC guidelines. The Course Work is compulsory and shall be treated as pre-Ph.D. preparation.

Exemption (As per UGC Guidelines)

Candidates who have done M.Phil from any Statutory University, and whose admission for the M.Phil course has been done through an entrance exam, and where course work was prescribed as part of the M.Phil course, may be exempted from Course Work for Ph.D.

Coursework: Compulsory (20 credits)

Duration : One semester.

Syllabus

A. Research Methodology (Theory)	5 Credits
B. Subject-specific Course Work	10 Credits
C. Field Work, Seminar and other Academic Activities	5 Credits

- Sections A and C are compulsory and carry 5 credits each.
- For Section B, which carries 10 credits, any two subjects may be selected from the fields given below:
 - i) Linguistics
 - ii) French as a Foreign Language
 - iii) French Literature
- If necessary the course may be carried out in sister departments/institutes either within or outside the University. Credits shall be awarded for such work.

Brief Outline of the Course Work

A. Research Methodology (Theory)	5 Credits
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Objectives

1. To equip the students with the tools and materials of research
2. To acquaint them with the research process
3. To train them in presenting their research.

Contents

1. Meaning and objectives of research.
2. Materials and tools of research:
 - a) Traditional tools : books, anthologies, thesauruses, encyclopedias, conference proceedings, unpublished theses, newspaper articles, journals, government publications, special libraries, advanced study centers.
 - b) Computer-related tools : e-journals, web references, research sites, web indexes, etc.; e-mail discussion groups, virtual libraries, web search engines, etc.).
3. The process of research (development of a topic/theme, definition of scope of the study, preparation of an outline for the proposed study, collection of material, review of existing literature, preparation of a bibliography).
4. Theory of Presentation of Research (write footnotes/ endnotes,citation, prepare index, use computer, explore related internet WebPages, typeset and layout)
Communication skills, seminar presentation using Power Point.
* If necessary the research may be carried out in sister departments/institutes either within or outside the University. Credits shall be awarded for such work.

B : Subject-specific Course Work : Choice of any 2 subjects (10 credits)

- i) Advanced Linguistics with special reference to at least two areas of studies such as phonetics, morphology, syntax, semantics, pragma-linguistics, socio-linguistics, discourse analysis, translation, comparative linguistics.
- ii) French as a Foreign Language : bilingualism, multilingualism, language acquisition, reading comprehension, listening comprehension, spoken expression, written expression.
- iii) Research in Literature : author specific, genre specific, comparative literature, literature and other forms of art, literature and philosophy

Objectives of i), ii) and iii)

1. To acquaint the students with the latest research and research methodologies in the area of study
2. To enable them to apply this methodology to the subject matter
3. To inculcate a holistic outlook towards research through multi-dimensional reading practices with the help of various conventional and technological resources

Contents

1. Approaches to literature: Feminism, Post-colonialism, Culture Studies

2. Approaches to language: Pragmatics, Discourse Analysis, Translation, FLE
3. Application of approaches: Each student will be required to justify the chosen approach(es) to his/her area of research.
4. Survey of relevant literature: Each student will be required to make a survey of literature related to an area of his/her interest under the guidance of the concerned teacher/s. This will include the use of various sources like libraries, websites and search engines.

C) Field Work, Seminar and other Academic Activities (5 credits)

Objectives

1. To help understand the importance of field work
2. To prepare the students to undertake field work for Ph.D.
3. To train them in presenting their research through seminars
4. To train them in participating in other academic activities

Contents

1. Choice of corpus : through published works such as books, newspaper articles, radio / television programs; through surveys and questionnaires
2. Importance of questionnaires and how to frame questions; how to interview - a layman, an expert in the field
3. Visit to libraries to tap resources (especially out of print editions) to be used as corpus or reference work
4. Interaction in seminars / conferences / symposia
5. Presenting a seminar paper

Evaluation

The evaluation will be done by the concerned faculty of the Research Centre / University Department.

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