



**ICSSR Sponsored 10 Days National Level  
Research Methodology Course  
in Social Sciences**

(13<sup>th</sup> November – 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2025)



Organized by  
**School of Education**  
**Central University of Himachal Pradesh**  
(Accredited by NAAC with A+ Grade with CGPA of 3.42)  
Dharamshala, Distt. Kangra (HP)-India

*On the Theme*

**“Artificial Intelligence (AI) Tools for Innovative Pedagogies,  
e-Content Creation and Research in Social Sciences”**

**Overview of the Workshop:**

The **School of Education, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dharamshala** is organizing Ten Days Research Methodology Course for Research Scholars of Social Sciences discipline w.e.f. **13<sup>th</sup> November to 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2025** on the Theme **“Artificial Intelligence (AI) Tools for Innovative Pedagogies, e-Content Creation and Research in Social Sciences”**. This programme is sponsored by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), Ministry of Human Resource Development, New Delhi. The proposed Research Methodology Course (RMC) is designed to equip doctoral and post-doctoral research scholars with necessary tools and skills to harness the potential of AI, thereby improving the quality, innovation, and ethical integrity of academics, educational pedagogies and research in social sciences. The participants will gain practical AI-based pedagogical and e-content creation skills, AI-oriented research skills, interdisciplinary collaboration opportunities, and insights into data-driven policy frameworks, ensuring they are equipped to conduct impactful research, publish in reputed journals, and contribute to the goals of national development. The workshop also aims to empower the scholars by equipping them with the tools, techniques for excelling in today's academics and research landscape. The framework of the course is designed with an emphasis on interactive sessions to provide hands-on training to the participants to gain technical proficiency required for applying AI techniques to real classroom situations, develop e-content (both e-text and A-V materials) and social science research projects. Moreover, in the light of recommendations of NEP-2020, it

becomes imperative to equip doctoral and post-doctoral students with necessary skills of using AI tools for innovative pedagogies, classroom and online instruction and creating e-content (e-text and video presentations) as well as for carrying out research studies with AI driven tools and techniques. Besides this, the participants will also be given exposure for field work and consulting the library resources for research purposes. The proposed Research Methodology Course mainly intends to enhance the knowledge, understanding and skills of M.Phil., Ph.D., and Post-doctoral researchers from various social science disciplines and develop their potential as future academicians, pedagogues and social science researchers.

### **Eligibility / Selection Criteria for the Course:**

Registered M. Phil. / Ph. D. / PDF research scholars of any recognized Indian University / Research Institute from any branch of Social Sciences are eligible for this course. The course will be of multidisciplinary nature and participants from different areas of social sciences discipline can apply for the same. This course will have a maximum of 30 participants.

### **How to Apply:**

Interested candidates can apply to Course Director through Application Registration Form on or before 15<sup>th</sup> October 2025 attached at the end.

The candidates are required to fill the application registration form and send its scanned copy duly forwarded by their research supervisor and Head of Department along with following documents to the Course Director through e-mail: ([drvishalsood13@gmail.com](mailto:drvishalsood13@gmail.com)) on or before 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025:

- (i) Duly signed and forwarded scanned copy of Application Registration Form.
- (ii) Brief CV of the Applicant
- (iii) M. Phil. / Ph. D. / PDF Registration Letter

**E-mail Id:** [drvishalsood13@gmail.com](mailto:drvishalsood13@gmail.com)

**Communication Address: Prof. (Dr.) Vishal Sood, Course Director,** School of Education, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dhauladhar Campus-I, Near HPCA Stadium, Dharamshala, District Kangra (HP) Pin 176215

**Registration Fee, Travel Allowances and Accommodation:**

There is no registration fee for attending the course. Boarding and Lodging is free. However, accommodation for outstation participants will be provided on sharing basis. TA to the participants is payable as per rules of ICSSR and funds provided by ICSSR.

**Venue of the Course:**

Seminar Hall, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dhauladhar Campus, TAB-I, Near HPCA Stadium, Dharamshala

**How to Reach the Venue:**

Nearest Airport to CUHP, Dharamshala Campus is Gaggal / Dharamshala (DHM) which is approximately at a distance of 15 Kms from the campus. There is one daily flight from Delhi to Dharamshala.

Travel by Train: Pathankot (PKT) and Amb (District Una) are the nearest railway stations. From these stations, the participants need to travel by road to Dharamshala.

Travel by Road: The distance of CUHP, Dharamshala campus is approx. 60 Kms from Pathankot; 252 Kms from Chandigarh; 520 Kms from Delhi. Overnight Normal / Deluxe / Volvo Bus services are available to Kangra / Dharamshala from Delhi and Chandigarh. The distance of CUHP, Dharamshala campus from Kangra bus stand is about 20 Kms and regular bus facility is available for commuting.

**Please Note:**

1. There are only a maximum of 30 seats: 20 for outstation and 10 for local participants.
2. The selection to the course will be made as per ICSSR guidelines. However, to make the course interdisciplinary in nature, participants will be selected from amongst different disciplines of social sciences.
3. No leave of any kind is permissible during the course period.

### **Important Dates:**

1. Last Date for the Applying to the Course: Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025
2. Communication to the Applicants about their Selection: Oct. 28, 2025
3. Last Date for Final Confirmation of Participation by Selected Candidates: Oct. 30, 2025
4. Course Dates: 13<sup>th</sup> November to 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2025

### **For Further Details, Please Contact:**

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**APPLICATION REGISTRATION FORM**

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attested PP size  
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**Name (in BLOCK letters):** .....

**Father / Mother's Name:** .....

**Gender:** Male / Female / Transgender **Category:** Gen / SC / ST / OBC

**Domicile:** Within HP State / Outside HP State (**Mention State .....**)

**Religion:** ..... **Date of Birth:** .....

**Do you Belong to Physically Disabled Category :** Yes / No

**If Yes, Type of Disability:** .....

**Aadhar No. :** .....

**PAN No. (If Available):** .....

**Bank Account No. (for Transferring TA) :** .....

**Name of the Bank & Branch :** .....

**IFSC Code of Bank:** .....

**Month & Year of M. Phil. / Ph. D. / PDF Registration:** .....

**Discipline / Subject:** .....

**Topic / Broad Area of Research:** .....

**Have you attended Research Methodology Course during Last 01 Year:** Yes / No

**If Yes, Please Share details about Organizing Institution, Duration & Dates:**

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**University / Institution / Organization in which you are studying:** -----

**Communication Address:** -----

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**E-mail ID:** -----

**Phone / Mobile No:** ----- (with Whatsapp Facility)

**Accommodation Required:** Yes / No

**Declaration by the Applicant:** I hereby undertake that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and nothing has been concealed thereof. If any information is found incorrect, I shall be solely responsible for the same and my candidature for the course shall stand cancelled.

***Signature of Applicant***

**Place:** -----

**Date:** -----

Recommendation by Research Supervisor  
(With signature and seal)

Countersignature by Head of Deptt.  
(With signature and seal)

**Note:** There is no registration fee for attending the course. The duly filled, signed and forwarded Application Registration Form (Scanned Copy) along with the requisite documents should be sent to the Course Director through email (drvishalsood13@gmail.com) on or before 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025. Incomplete application forms without required documents shall be straightway rejected.

***For Official Use Only:***

Application Received on: \_\_\_\_\_

Application Scrutinized on: \_\_\_\_\_

Whether all Required Documents attached: Yes / No

Recommendation of Selection Committee : Selected / Not Selected ***(Pls. Sign Below)***

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***Approval by the Co-Course Director***

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