

## About the Department

The Department of Sociology was established in the year 1997 and over the years it has conducted several programmes and events as part of their academic extension activities. The Department has both Postgraduate and Ph.D. program. The Department also has a Tribal Research Centre to carry out various inter disciplinary research projects on tribal issues in the region.

## How to reach Nagaland University-Lumami

For anyone coming for the first time to Nagaland University, Hqrs. Lumami from outside the state of Nagaland, the nearest Railway station is Mariani, Assam and Jorhat is the nearest airport located in Assam. From both the places it takes four hours to reach Mokokchung town, Nagaland by the road. If your journey route touches Guwahati then there are direct Network & Blue Hills night bus services available to Mokokchung town which will drop you around 7:30 am-8:00 am (tickets available @ Paltan Bazar and Bus Moves from ISBT-Bethkuchi, near Balaji Temple). As you reach Mokokchung town, our volunteers will guide you to the Lumami campus.

## Last Date for Submission of Application

30th April, 2024 is the last date for submission of application.

Selected candidates would be intimated by e-mail on or before 2nd May, 2024.

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## A Ten Day Research Methodology Course in Social Sciences

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## About Nagaland University

Nagaland University, a Central University established in 1994 is spread across four campuses in four districts. The University Headquarter is located in Lumami, situated in Zunheboto District of Nagaland state. It is about 20 kms from Mokokchung Town. The campus offers basic amenities with Shopping Complex, Health Centre, Post Office, Bank with ATM etc.

## Concept note

Research methodology is a fundamental aspect of any scientific inquiry, and its significance cannot be overstated, especially for Ph.D. scholars. As Norman K. Denzin (2017) argues, research methodology is the backbone of social science research, providing the necessary tools and techniques to investigate complex social phenomena. This ten-day course on research methodology aims to equip scholars with the knowledge and skills required to conduct rigorous and scientifically sound research in the social sciences.

The importance of research methodology for scholars lies in its ability to guide them through the process of generating new knowledge while critically evaluating existing theories and concepts. As C. Wright Mills (1959) famously stated, the sociological imagination enables researchers to grasp the interplay between individual experiences and larger social structures.

The course will cover the three major research methods in social science: quantitative, qualitative, and mixed methods. Quantitative research, rooted in the positivist tradition, seeks to establish causal relationships between variables by analyzing objective reality through the use of statistical tools (Bryman, 2016). This method is particularly useful for analyzing large-scale data and identifying patterns, making it an essential tool for Ph.D. scholars working with extensive datasets.

## Ten Day Research Methodology Course in Social Sciences

The course is targeted to provide a comprehensive understanding of the research methodologies in social sciences. Through the course, the Ph.D. researchers will be acquainted with the fundamentals and approaches in social science research, tools, methods and sampling techniques to be followed in research. Participants will be trained in data analysis methods used in quantitative and qualitative research. Specifically, the participants will be provided thorough training on conceptualizing an operationalizing methods in social research.

Throughout the ten-day course (offline), participants will be engaged in a systematic exploration of the research process, from formulating objectives and hypotheses to collecting, processing, and analyzing data. Emphasis will be placed on the theoretical and methodological underpinnings of each research method, ensuring that Ph.D. scholars develop a deep understanding of the principles guiding their research endeavors.

This research methodology course is an invaluable opportunity for scholars to enhance their research skills and navigate the complex landscape of social science research. By mastering the tools and techniques of quantitative, qualitative, and mixed methods research, participants will be well-equipped to contribute to the advancement of knowledge in their respective fields and make a lasting impact on the social sciences.

The selected participants will get Course kit, reading materials and a certificate of participation.

## OBJECTIVES

1. To provide Ph.D. scholars with a comprehensive understanding and knowledge of the three major research methods in social science: quantitative, qualitative, and mixed methods.
2. To equip Ph.D. scholars with the necessary skills and techniques of data collection, conducting fieldwork via surveys, interviews, ethnography etc.
3. To train them with the necessary skills of data analysis, writing the research, ethical concerns involved in the social research.

## Eligibility:

Currently enrolled & registered Ph.D. Research Scholars in social sciences disciplines under UGC-recognized university/institutions across the country.

## In-take capacity

The number of participants for the course will be limited to 30 as per ICSSR guidelines and criteria.

## Selection

The candidates will be selected on a first-come, first-served basis. There is no registration fee.

## Accommodation

Outstation participants will be provided accommodation. All the candidates will be provided meals during the course. No TA will be provided, candidates have to bear the travel costs.

## Link to Apply:

<https://forms.gle/1Yf9B7rY6Ls32WvF8>

