

**ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE FOR WOMEN'S (AUTONOMUS), VISAKHAPATNAM
B.A. HONORS POLITICAL SCIENCE IV YEAR 2020-2021(Admitted batch)
POLITICAL SCIENCE**

PAPER-IV: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY (SKILL ENHANCEMENT)

VII SEMESTER (W.e.f. 2020-21 Admitted Batch)

Marks:60

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Time: 3 hrs.

Objectives: The student will be able

- To generate new knowledge
- To gain familiarity or to develop new insight into some phenomena.
- To investigate some existing situation or problem.

Learning Outcomes:

1. Understand basics of research methodology.
2. Aware of research designs
3. Analyse collection of data
4. Interpret the data.
5. Testing tools and techniques.

Unit I: Introduction:

1. Meaning, Definition, Nature, and Significance of Social Science Research
2. Methods of Research - Hypothesis

- Unit II: Design:
1. Research Design
 2. Sample Design

Unit III: Collection of data:

1. Preparation of Questionnaire – Schedule, Observation
2. Interviews and Survey

Unit IV: Analysis:

1. Data Analysis and Interpretation
2. Report Writing

Unit V: Tools & Techniques:

1. Reference Management Software like Zotero/Mendeley
2. Software for paper formatting like LaTeX/MS Office, Software for detection of Plagiarism

Books Recommended

1. Goode and Hatt, 'Methods in Social Research', Surjeet Publications, New Delhi
2. S.V. Evera. 'Guide to methods for student of Political Science', Cornell University Press, New York.
3. Paul M. Kellett. 'The Fundamentals of Political Science Research', Cambridge University Press, UK
4. Alan C. Issak. 'Scope and Methods of Political Science' Cambridge University Press, UK
5. Peter Burnham. 'Research Methods in Politics' Mac Millan Press New Delhi
6. Partha Nath Mukherji. 'Methodology in Social Research; Dilma's and Preventives', Sage Publishers New Delhi

Activities: Collection of Data – Questionnaire – Statistical Analysis - Group Discussion – Current Trends in Research – Collection of Sampling – Preparation of Schedules.