

<b>Course Number and Name</b>	SOCE 202    Research Methods in Sociology and Social Anthropology
<b>Intended Learning Outcomes</b>	At the end of the course students will be able to apply sociological and anthropological methodologies in social research.
<b>Course Contents</b>	Introduction to social research: what constitutes social research, the difference between natural science and social science research, distinctive features of empirical research in Sociology and Social Anthropology; the foundation of social research: the logic of the scientific method, inductive and deductive reasoning in social research, relationship between social theory and research, generalization and issues of reliability and validity; types of social research: basic and applied research, qualitative and quantitative research and ethnographic research and survey research; steps in research: problem identification, hypothesis formulation, selection of data collection methods, data gathering, data processing, data analysis, discussion and of results and reporting. Quantitative techniques: collection and processing of secondary data, collection of data through survey instruments including questionnaires and processing of such data. Basic statistics in social research: measures of central tendency, measures of dispersion, chi-square tests, correlation; Qualitative techniques: observation, case history and focus group discussion; analysis of qualitative data. Computer application in social research: introduction to Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS).
<b>Assessment Strategy</b>	<b>Assessment Scheme:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i.        Time of Assessment        - End of the Year</li> <li>ii.       Assessment Methods        - Written examination</li> <li>iii.      Assigned Percentage of Marks for each Component – 100%</li> </ol>
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