**BRM 2105 RESEARCH METHODS**

**Short** **Description**

Designed to prepare students to carry out research. It equips them with knowledge and skills of identifying and formulating a research problem, developing objectives, reviewing literature, and identifying appropriate research methods.

Aim

To enable students acquire knowledge and skills in research methods

Learning outcome

Students should be able to:

- identify and formulate research problems in RAM.

- develop research objectives

-Review literature

-Identify and choose appropriate research methodologies

Intellectual, Practical and Transferable skills

Knowledge and skills to conduct research

Teaching and Learning Pattern

By use of lectures, library studies for literature, student led group presentations and self – directed research guided by the lecturer, Practical

Indicative Content

Formulating a research problem, developing objectives, defining scope, literature search and review, identifying the research gap; literature review; Methodology; A general discussion of research methods and techniques; Data collection, questionnaire, interview, sampling methods/strategies, gender issues in research.

**Assessment** **method**

- Coursework and Examination. Tests, coursework research questions, group work presentations will all constitute coursework marks (30 marks) and final examinations (70 marks). For a student to be allowed to sit the final examination in this course, he/she should have obtained at least 15 out of 30 marks. The pass mark for the course will be 50%.

Indicative sources

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