

# Master One Research Methodology Syllabus

Section of English, Faculty of Letters and Foreign Languages



# Department of Foreign Languages Section of English, Master One Syllabus 2020/2021

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**Lecture Class** (Credit hours 1h.)

Course Title: Research Methodology

Level: Master One

Time: Thursday, 10.20-11.20 a.m. (90 mins)

Location: Amphi B

**Tutorial Class (TD)** (credit hours 4hrs.)

Tuesday: 10.20-11:20 a.m. | BC 06 | G2

Thursday: 8.00-9.00 a.m. | BC 10 | G1

Thursday: 9.10-10.10 a.m. | BC 11 | G3

### THEME ONE:

### Citation Through the APA

- 1. What is the APA?
- 2. Citation on Basics
- 3. In-text Citations
- 4. Short Questions
- 5. Long Questions
- 6. Citations taken from a Secondary Source
- 7. Verbs and Phrases to Introduce Citations
- 8. Summary and Paraphrase

### THEME THREE:

### The Dissertation Structure

- 1. The Opening Part
- 2. The core / body
- 3. The End

### THEME FIVE:

### The Research Proposal

- 1. What is a research Proposal?
- 2. The Structure of a Research proposal
- 3. The Contents of a Research Proposal
- 4. Illustrations

### THEME TWO:

### The Dissertation Format

- 1. Types
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- 3.Page number
- 4.Font
- 5. Size of Character
- 6. Word Space
- 7. Paragraph Space
- 8. Indent

### THEME FOUR:

### Academic Writing

- 1. Tense
- 2. Voice and Person
- 3. Grammar and Logic
- 4. Focus in Writing
- 5. Expressions to Introduce ideas
- 6. Words and Phrases to Avoid
- 7. Plagiarism
- 8. How to Avoid Plagiarism

# Recommended references

- 1. Research Methods in Education (2000) 5<sup>th</sup> ed., by Louis Cohen, Lawrence Manion, and Keith Morison.
- 2. Succeeding with your Master's Dissertation (2008), by John Biggan.
- 3. Your Research Project (2001), by Nicholas Walliman.
- 4. Research Methods in Applied Linguistics (2001), by Zoltan Dornye.
- 5. The Good Research Guide: For Small-Scale Social Research projects (2010), by Martyn Descombe.
- 6. Research methodology: *Methods and Techniques* (2004), by C.R Cothari.

### **About the Lecturer**

Ahmed Chaouki HOADJLI holds a PhD in Applied Linguistics. His research interests are: ELT, Sociolinguistics, Psycholinguistics and Language Evaluation and Assessment.

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In case of absence, and/or travel of the instructor, it will be announced to students the day(s) and lecture (s) in question. In such an event, we are prepared to assign students a "Plan B", where lectures will be compensated, and their dates will be announced.

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