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Unit I


Unit II

Choosing a topic for research in Philosophy: - Guiding principles, Steps in choosing a topic, Addressing the problem, Different approaches to the problem, Adjustments.

Unit III


Unit IV

The Methodology of Executing a Research Project: - The stages in execution and their interconnection, Collection of material, Organization, Presentation.

Unit V

Different approaches in philosophical research:

Conceptual analysis: How important are concepts in philosophy, the nature of abstract thinking, focusing on concepts and their interrelations, the method of logical reasoning, how conceptual mapping is done, the nature of arguments, the nature of conclusions arrived. (Here we can suggest the scholars to read three articles of philosophy).

Empirical research in philosophy: Adoption of the method of social science research in philosophy, qualitative methods in doing philosophical research, combining it with the conceptual analysis approach in philosophy, supporting arguments with philosophical theories. (Three articles as examples)


Unit VI

Research Ethics: The idea of publishing, the important aspects of ethical research, adding value to the domain, honesty, integrity and confidentiality, responsibility and accountability, problems related to plagiarism and other fraudulent acts in research.

TEXT BOOKS/ REFERENCES:


