

University of Abou-Bekr Belkaid Tlemcen
Faculty of Letters and Languages
Department of English

COURSE SYLLABUS (SEMESTER 1)

Module: Methodology in Social Sciences

Level: Master I - Language Studies

Semester: 1

Unit Type: Methodological Unit

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Course Objectives:

- ✓ Helping the learners to undertake research.
- ✓ The application of theory into practice.
- ✓ Enabling the learners to use methodology in their future research.
- ✓ Helping the learners to write a successful thesis.

Course Programme (Outline):

Research in Social Sciences

Research Paradigms

Positivism

Interpretivism

Pragmatism

The Transformative Paradigm

Complexity Theory

The Case Study

Types of Case Study

Types of Case Study according to the Purposes of Research

Types of Case study in terms of the Number of Cases

Types of Case Study according to the Unit of Analysis

The Design of a Case Study
The Elicitation of the Research Questions
The Identification of the Hypotheses
The Specification of the Unit of Analysis

Research Instruments

The Questionnaire
The Interview
Observation

Evaluation Method:

The course grade = TD mark (50%) + Exam mark (50%)

References

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