

Department of Liberal Education
Era University, Lucknow
Course Outline
Effective From: 2023-24

Name of the Program	B.A. / B.Sc. (LIBERAL EDUCATION)			Year/ Semester:	3rd /6th
Course Name	Capstone Project/ Research Project/ Dissertation	Course Code:	PHI309	Type:	Practical
Credits	03			Total Practical Hours:	90
Evaluation Spread	Internal Continuous Assessment:	50 Marks		End Term Exam:	100 Marks
Type of Course	<input type="radio"/> Compulsory	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Core	<input type="radio"/> Creative	<input type="radio"/> Life Skill	
Course Objectives	The purpose of the program is to enable the student to develop deeper knowledge, understanding, capabilities and attitudes in the context of the program of study and also improve reasoning skills and critical thinking of the students.				

Guidelines for the project creation and submission

The allotment of the project will be held after the 4th semester. The brief guidelines of the major project:

- No. of records – 3 Copies of the Project Report

How to Structure your Dissertation?

The structure of a typical dissertation in philosophy should include at a minimum, following elements:

- Title conveys the main message of your dissertation.
- Introduction briefly explains your topic/problem and how you are going to prove it.
- Sections with headings explain different aspects of your topic and contribute to overall argument.
- Conclusion provides information about implications of the central claim and suggests possible areas for further research.

Writing a Draft of a dissertation:

1. Introduction

When you start writing an introduction, it's important to be concise and make the structure of your dissertation in philosophy clear to your audience.

- You should start with formulating your precise thesis statement so that your reads will be able to see clearly what your project sets out to achieve.
- You need to define special or ambiguous terms that will appear in the text of your paper to help your readers understand the argument.
- Tell your readers why the subject of your discussion is important for them and why should they care to read your piece of writing.
- Explain briefly how you are going to defend your thesis statement and outline what points you are going to make.

2. Body of Your Dissertation:

- When writing the main sections of your dissertation, you need to be concise but at the same time explain yourself fully. You should develop a strong and coherent argument to support your thesis. Don't skip any steps assuming that your reader will accept all premises which they don't understand or know very little about them. If you use some claims that your audience may find doubtful, you should give your readers convincing reasons to accept that point of view. But don't include anything in your paper that doesn't directly address the subject, specific questions and problems related to it.

3. Conclusion

- In the conclusion, you should briefly restate your thesis and key points and explain why you think your paper has achieved its goals and what your argument has established. You can also emphasize the significance of the problem and make suggestions about further research.

Overall Major Project will be supervised by Department teachers.

Presentations based on the Major Project will be evaluated by an external examiner appointed by the University.

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