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KOLKATA

Department of Public Administration

3rd Campus, Dowhill, Kurseong, West Bengal

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Ten-Day Workshop on Methodological Terrains in Social Sciences

27 November – 11 December 2026 | Hybrid Mode | 3rd Campus, Dowhill, Kurseong

BACKGROUND AND RATIONALE

Social science research in India continues to operate across heterogeneous methodological traditions. Quantitative inference, ethnographic observation, discourse analysis, visual methods, and systematic review techniques are rarely taught as a single coherent field. The workshop treats methodology as a set of terrains rather than a single toolkit.

OBJECTIVES

- Introduce principal stages and varieties of research design
- Examine major philosophical debates on research methods
- Survey distinct ethical frameworks governing research
- Provide working introductions to discourse analysis, statistics, ethnography, photography, PRISMA, and metadata practices
- Specify conditions for ethical use of generative AI as an assistive research tool

THEMES AND SESSIONS

1. Introduction to Research in Social Sciences
2. Philosophical Debates on Research and Methods
3. Advanced Philosophies of Research Methodology
4. Discourse Analysis
5. Quantitative Methodology I: Descriptive Statistics
6. Quantitative Methodology II: Correlation to Causation
7. Introduction to Ethnography
8. Metadata as a Key to E-Resource Discovery
9. PRISMA for Social Sciences
10. Photography as a Social Research Method
11. Ethical Usage of AI in Research

TARGET PARTICIPANTS

Doctoral students and early-career researchers in any social science discipline. Hybrid mode permits both on-site and remote attendance. Full attendance required for certification.

APPLICATION FEES

PhD Scholars: ₹500 (online) / ₹1,000 (offline)
Early Career Researchers / Faculty: ₹1,500 (online) / ₹2,000 (offline)

IMPORTANT DATES

Application Deadline: 22 November 2026
Payment Deadline: 24 November 2026

SCAN TO APPLY

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Application Link:
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