

**M.A. IN WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES
(MAWGS)**

Term-End Examination

December, 2015

MWG-005 : RESEARCH METHODS

Time : 3 hours

Maximum Marks : 100

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- Note :** (i) *Attempt any five questions.*
(ii) *All questions carry equal marks.*
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1. What is understood by multi-disciplinary, interdisciplinary and trans - disciplinary research ? Which of these is more suitable for research in women's and gender studies ? Discuss. **20**
2. Discuss the process of conceptualising a research problem. Explain how modes of acquiring knowledge should be applied in the above process. **20**
3. Discuss different sources of data used in research in women's and gender studies. Give examples in support of your answer. **20**
4. Explain the meaning of a 'Sign'. Discuss sociolinguistic approaches with respect to women's and men's uses of language. **20**

5. Explain ethics in research. How does misrepresentation entail violation of the code of ethics ? Discuss. 20
6. (a) What is tabulation ? Discuss the importance of tabulation in quantitative research. $10 \times 2 = 20$
(b) Explain the role of statistics in research.
7. What is feminist historiography ? Discuss subaltern challenges to the dominant historiography. 20
8. Write short notes on **any four** of the following : $5 \times 4 = 20$
- (a) Bibliography
 - (b) Androcentrism
 - (c) KPI
 - (d) Median
 - (e) NFHS
 - (f) Web database
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