

Pre. Ph. D. Course Work in Political Science

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

- 1. The Idea of Social Science
 - (a) Approachign the differences between nautal and social science
 - (b) Conceptyions fo Science : From Verification to falsificaiton
 - (c) Obejective and value neutrality.

- 2. Empi9rical Research in Social Sciences
 - (a) Identification of research problem, formulation of hypothesis, use of concepts, operationalissation of variables.
 - (b) Quantitative and qualitative methods.
 - (c) Research Design - Hypothesis, concepts and variables

- 3. Quantitative Research Method.
 - (a) Measurement : Issues of Reliability, Validity and level of measurement
 - (b) Date collection: Methods of data collection - observation, questionnaires and interviews
 - (c) Sampling techniques: Probalility and non-probablity techniques.
 - (d) Data Processing and Data Analysis
 - (e) Preparation of research report.

- 4. Combining quantitative and qualitative methods.

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