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Syllabus for Research Methods and Data Analysis in Language Teaching

BA Program in Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL)

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This syllabus is tentative and subject to change.

A. Objectives of the Course:

The course aims to familiarize students with various research methods, data collection instruments, and data analysis techniques, enabling them to conduct research studies in language-related areas, such as language teaching, translation, linguistics, and English literature. It also helps them develop and publish academic research articles to report their research findings.

B. Course Material:

Farhady, H. (2020). Research methods in applied linguistics 1 & 2. PNU.

C. Course Outline:

Session 1: Introduction

Session 2: Steps in conducting research

Session 3: Research questions and variables

Session 4: Research methods

Sessions 5 & 6: Descriptive research methods

Session 7: Experimental research methods

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Session 8: Review, Midterm exam

Session 9: Validity and reliability of research

Sessions 10 & 11: Data collection techniques

Session 12: Sampling

Session 13: Data analysis techniques

Sessions 14 & 15: Writing a research report

Session: 16: Review

D. Course Requirements:

- 1. Class attendance and participation
- 2. Assignment
- 3. Midterm examination
- 4. Final examination

E. Evaluation System (allocation of points to requirements):

- 1. Class attendance and participation (2 points)
- 2. Assignment (4 points)
- 3. Midterm examination (4 points)
- 4. Final examination (10 points)

"Research is seeing what everybody else has seen and thinking what nobody else has thought". - Albert Szent-Györgyi

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