

Department of Law, Punjabi University, Patiala
Syllabus of Ph.D Entrance Test 2023-24

Section A
(Research Methodology)

Meaning of Research and Contemporary Trends in Legal Research
Types of Legal Research: The case study method
Doctrinal, Non Doctrinal, Descriptive, Analytical Research
Hypothesis - Its Nature and Role
Reviewing of Literature
Interview Technique - Demerits and Merits
Questionnaire and its Characteristics, Advantages and Disadvantages
Use of a Law Library :
Role of Law Commission and Higher judiciary in Law Reforms
Socio-Legal Research in India - Hurdles and Pitfalls
Plagiarism as an offence in Research.

Section B
(Subject)

Jurisprudence

Nature and Sources of Law
Positivism, Natural Law Theory, Sociological Jurisprudence
Rights and Duties

Constitutional Law

Preamble
Fundamental Rights and Duties
Judiciary
Emergency Provisions
Amendment of the Constitution
Writ Jurisdiction

Indian Penal Code

General Exceptions
Common Intention and Common Object
Criminal Attempt, Conspiracy and Abetment

Code of Criminal Procedure

Investigation
Charge

Evidence

Relevancy of Facts
Admission and Confession

Hindu Law

Marriage
Matrimonial Remedies
Adoption and Guardianship

Muslim Law

Marriage

Interpretation of Statutes

General Principles of Statutory Interpretation:

Primary of Literal Rule of Interpretation
Mischief Rule of Interpretation
Golden Rule of Interpretation
Harmonious Rule of Interpretation
Beneficial Construction
Internal and External Aids to Interpretation of Statutes