



GANGADHAR MEHER UNIVERSITY

AMRUTA VIHAR, SAMBALPUR – 768001

No. 4054 /GMU

Date 11/08/2026

NOTICE

To

The Heads of all Schools

As per the prevailing practice, the Research and Publication Ethics Paper (Code: 712) of the Ph.D. Course Work program is to be conducted centrally from **17th August 2026** with pooling of human resources from different Schools. The Heads are requested to allot Ph.D. course work classes as per the details given below:

Paper Code	Class Responsibility	Day and Time	Class Room	Time
712	To be organized centrally	Monday & Tuesday	99 (School of Economics)	4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

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**TIME TABLE FOR Ph.D. (COURSE WORK)
RESEARCH AND PUBLICATION ETHICS (712) CLASS
(JULY 2026)**

Day	4:00 – 5:00 PM
Monday	PM/ SP/ MS
Tuesday	DPJ/ JS/ RR

PM – Dr. P. Muralidhar Sharma
SP – Dr. Subhankari Pati
DPJ – Dr. D. Priyadarshi Joshi

RR - Dr. Rosalein Rout
JS - Dr. Jayendra Singh
MS – Dr. Meera Swain

N.B.: All Classes will be taken in Room No. 99 (Ground Floor, School of Economics) from Monday to Tuesday as per the time mentioned above


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RESEARCH AND PUBLICATION ETHICS

Course Code – 712

UNIT DETAILS		Course Teacher
RPE 01: PHILOSOPHY AND ETHICS (3 hrs.)		
1.	Introduction to Philosophy: Definition, nature and scope, concept, branches	Dr. Subhankari Pati (School of Philosophy)
2.	Ethics: definition, moral philosophy, nature of moral judgments and reactions	
RPE 02: SCIENTIFIC CONDUCT (5 hrs.)		
1.	Ethics with respect to science and research	Dr. Subhankari Pati (School of Philosophy) 1 - 2
2.	Intellectual honesty and research integrity	
3.	Scientific misconducts: Falsification, Fabrication, and Plagiarism (FFP)	Dr. Meera Swain (School of Anthropology) 3 - 5
4.	Redundant publications: duplicate and overlapping publications, salami slicing	
5.	Selective reporting and misrepresentation of data	
RPE 03: PUBLICATION ETHICS (7 hrs.)		
1.	Publication ethics: definition, introduction and importance	Dr. P. Muralidhar Sharma (School of English) 1 - 5
2.	Best practices/ standards setting initiatives and guidelines: COPE, WAME etc.	
3.	Conflicts of interest	Dr. D. Priyadarshi Joshi (School of Economics) 6 - 7
4.	Publication misconduct: definition, concept, problems that lead to unethical behavior and vice-versa, types	
5.	Violation of publication ethics, authorship and contributorship	
6.	Identification of publication misconduct, complaints and appeals	
	Predatory publishers and journals	
RPE 04: OPEN ACCESS PUBLISHING (4 hrs.)		
1.	Open access publications and initiatives	Dr. Jayendra Singh (School of Library and Information Science)
2.	SHERPA/ RoMED online resource to check publisher copyright and self-archiving policies	
3.	Software tool to identify predatory publications developed by SPPU	
4.	Journal finder/ journal suggestion tools viz. JANE, Elsevier Journal Finder, Springer Journal Suggester etc.	
RPE 05: PUBLICATION MISCONDUCT (4 hrs.)		
A. Group Discussions (2 hrs.)		
1.	Subject specific ethical issues, FFP, authorship	Dr. D. Priyadarshi Joshi (School of Economics)
2.	Conflicts of interest	
3.	Complaints and appeals: examples and fraud from India and abroad	
B. Software tools (2 hrs.)		
1.	Use of plagiarism software like Turnitin, Urkund and other open source software tools	Dr. Rosalein Rout (School of Library and Information Science)
RPE 06: DATABASES AND RESEARCH METRICS (7 hrs.)		
A. Databases (4 hrs.)		
1.	Indexing databases	Dr. Jayendra Singh (School of Library and Information Science)
2.	Citation databases: Web of Science, Scopus, etc.	
B. Research Metrics (3 hrs.)		
1.	Impact Factor of Journal as per Journal Citation Report, SNIP, SJR, IPP, Cite-Score	Dr. Jayendra Singh (School of Library and Information Science)
2.	Metrics: h-index, g index, i10 index, altmetrics	

