SARDAR PATEL UNIVERSITY Programme: BA (Psychology) Semester: V Syllabus with effect from: June 2013

Paper Code: UA05CPSY11	Total Credits: 3
Title Of Paper: Experimental Psychology theory – I	Total Creuits: 5

Unit	Description in detail	Weightage (%)
1	Basics Concepts of Experimental methods:	
	Definition of Experiment, Nature of Experiment Definition of variables,	
	types of variables, (Independent, Dependent and control/relevant variables)	
	scientific attitude, Experimental group and Control group, Control in	
	Experiment,	
2	Psychophysics Methods:	
	What is psychophysics? Problem of psychophysics The basic concepts of	
	psychophysics, -Sensitivity (Absolute Sensitivity, Difference Sensitivity)	
	Threshold (Absolute Threshold, Difference Threshold)Point of Subjective	
	Equality (P.S.E.) Error in Experiment(Variables error & Constant error)	
	methods in psychophysics, methods of minimum change, method of	
	constant stimuli, method average error, methods of paired comparison,	
	methods of rating	
3	Visual Perception:	
	Definition of perception, Figure and background Perception of space,	
	Perception of distance and Depth, perception of size, perception of form,	
	perception of movement - physical and perceived Error in perception,	
_	theories of illusion, Measurement of illusion and use of illusion,	
4	Emotion:	
	Definition of Emotion, Expression of Emotion, Physiological changes in	
	emotion, Study methods of Emotion- method of impression and method of	
	expression of emotions. Emotion control, identifying the Emotion from	
	facial expression	

Basic Text & Reference Books:

- Collins M.and Drever J. (1949) : Experimental Psychology. Matheun & Co.Ltd., London.
- D'Amato M. R. (1976): Experimental Psychology: Methodology Psychophysics and Learning. New York - Tokyo, McGraw Hill Kogakusha.
- > Postman L. and Egan J. (1949): Experimental Psychology. (Harper) & Row
- Underwood B. J. (1949): Experimental Psychology An Introduction. New York: Appleton Country Crofts Indian Reprint. The Finances of India Press - 15.
- Woodworth R. S. & Schosberg H. (1938): Experimental Psychology. New York.
- Anderson John R. (1980) Cognitive Psychology: and its implications. IInd edition
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