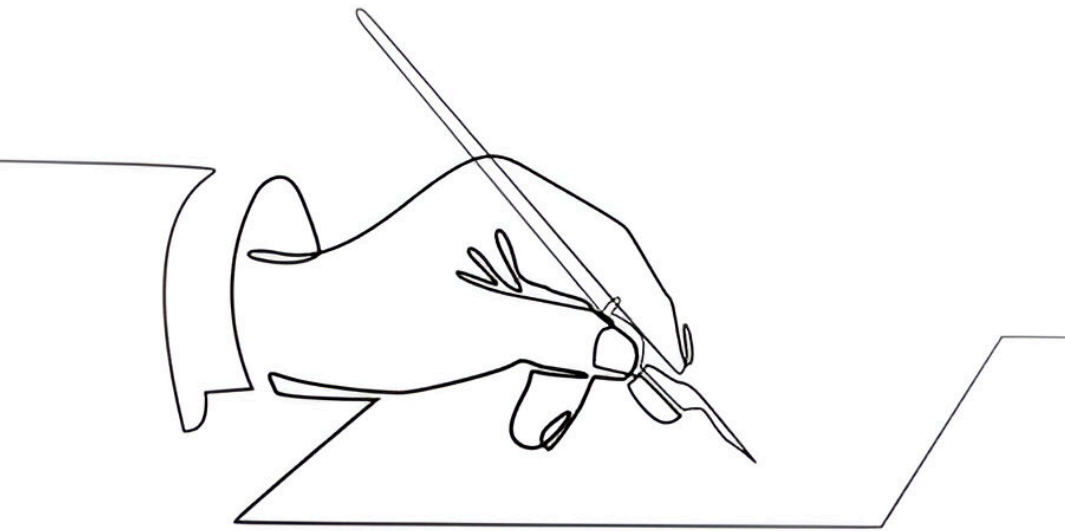


# CERTIFICATE COURSE

**IN EFFECTIVE RESEARCH AND LEGAL WRITING  
SKILLS FOR LAW AND POLICY PROFESSIONALS**



# About AFPR

Adhyayan Foundation for Policy and Research (AFPR) is a policy think tank based in India that conducts research projects independently as well as on behalf of governmental departments, ministries, and private entities. Our focus encompasses a wide range of significant policy domains for the country, including the economic issues, administrative efficiency, legal gaps, and international affairs. Our ultimate goal is to bridge the gap in policy-making, promoting comprehensive growth and development for our nation.

## About the Course

The 30-hour certificate program on "Effective Research and Legal Writing Skills for Law and Policy Professionals" is meticulously designed to equip participants with essential skills in research, analysis, and legal writing. This program focuses on fostering a comprehensive understanding of foundational research methods, critical thinking, and professional writing techniques tailored for law and policy contexts.

## Key Features

- A 30-hour interactive and engaging learning experience.
- Comprehensive coverage of foundational, analytical, and practical aspects of research and legal writing.
- Hands-on activities, case studies, and workshops in every module to ensure practical understanding.
- Guidance on publishing research and building a professional brand.
- Delivered by experts in legal research and writing.

# Why This Course?

By completing this program, you will:

- Gain proficiency in essential research methodologies and legal analysis.
- Develop critical thinking and advanced writing skills for impactful communication.
- Build a professional portfolio with published work and polished presentations.
- Enhance your ability to advocate for legal and policy reforms effectively.

## Course Duration

The course spans 20 sessions over 5 weeks, with modules divided into different lectures.

## Who Should Enroll

This course is meticulously designed for law students, policy professionals, legal journalists, researchers, and anyone keen on enhancing their skills in research and legal writing. It is particularly beneficial for those aiming to produce impactful work in the domains of law and policy, including professionals preparing for roles in academia, legal advocacy, or policy analysis. Whether you are a budding law graduate, a practicing legal expert, or someone engaged in policy work, this program equips you with the tools and techniques to excel in research and writing, making your contributions more credible and impactful.

## Registration

Enrollment for the course is now open, and the last date for registration is 15th January 2025.

**Course Fee: Rs. 1000**

Use the following link to access the registration form: <https://www.bit.ly/afprpolicy>

You can also scan the QR code below to access the form:



# Course Modules

## Module 1

### Foundations of Research

- *Understanding the definition, scope, and purpose of research.*
- *Exploring types of research: qualitative, quantitative, and mixed methods.*
- *Distinguishing between academic, legal, and policy research.*
- *Learning research tools and platforms like JSTOR, HeinOnline, and SCC Online.*
- *Developing research questions and designing research frameworks.*

## Module 2

### Information Gathering and Analysis

- *Conducting primary research through interviews, surveys, and fieldwork.*
- *Reviewing and analyzing secondary sources like judgments, statutes, and commentaries.*
- *Dissecting judgments to identify key elements like ratio decidendi and obiter dicta.*
- *Enhancing analytical skills through case studies and literature reviews.*

## Module 3

### Legal Journalism and Critical Thinking

- *Understanding the purpose and scope of legal journalism.*
- *Learning reporting ethics and techniques for court proceedings.*
- *Developing critical thinking through articles, editorials, and policy briefs.*
- *Comparing and critiquing perspectives on legal and policy issues.*

## Module 4

### Writing, Advocacy, and Publication

- *Mastering drafting techniques for articles, case comments, and policy briefs.*
- *Exploring persuasive writing essentials like structure, coherence, and brevity.*
- *Translating research findings into actionable advocacy strategies.*
- *Preparing for publication and building credibility through citations and branding.*

## Module 5

### Presentation and Branding

- *Designing impactful presentations with visuals and infographics.*
- *Enhancing oral communication for presenting research findings.*
- *Understanding the peer-review process and publishing strategies.*
- *Leveraging social media and professional platforms for personal branding.*

## Class Policy

- Participants are expected to attend at least 80% of all lectures (**Google Meet**).
- Active participation in discussions and debate forums is required to enhance learning.
- Participants must respect diverse perspectives and maintain a professional and respectful environment in all interactions.

## Certification

Participants who successfully complete the course will receive a Certificate of Completion from Adhyayan Foundation for Policy and Research, showcasing their mastery of legal writing and research skills.

# Timetable

S No.	MODULE	TOPIC	Days and Week	Date	Timings (IST)
1	Module 1: Foundations of Research	Introduction to Research	Saturday, Week 1	18/01/2025	10:00 AM - 1:30 PM
2	Module 1: Foundations of Research	Research Design and Framework	Sunday, Week 1	19/01/2025	10:00 AM - 1:30 PM
3	Module 2: Information Gathering	Primary and Secondary Research	Saturday, Week 2	25/01/2025	10:00 AM - 1:30 PM
4	Module 2: Information Gathering	Understanding and Analyzing Judgments	Sunday, Week 2	26/01/2025	10:00 AM - 1:30 PM
5	Module 3: Legal Journalism	Introduction to Legal Journalism	Saturday, Week 3	01/02/2025	10:00 AM - 1:30 PM
6	Module 3: Legal Journalism	Reading Articles and Research Papers	Sunday, Week 3	02/02/2025	10:00 AM - 1:30 PM
7	Module 4: Writing, Advocacy, Publication	Writing Skills for Research and Journalism	Saturday, Week 4	08/02/2025	10:00 AM - 1:30 PM
8	Module 4: Writing, Advocacy, Publication	Research for Advocacy and Policy Impact	Sunday, Week 4	09/02/2025	10:00 AM - 1:30 PM
9	Module 5: Presentation and Branding	Presenting Research and Findings	Saturday, Week 5	15/02/2025	10:00 AM - 1:30 PM
10	Module 5: Presentation and Branding	Publishing and Personal Branding	Sunday, Week 5	16/02/2025	10:00 AM - 1:30 PM