

Mrinal's Research Methodology Studio

FOR HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY

Supervisor Guide

Reading a student's work, giving comments and approving the proposal

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For supervisors

Your student is writing a dissertation, project or thesis in Mrinal's Research Methodology Studio for History and Philosophy. The studio does not write for the student; it guides the proposal, the work with sources and texts, the citations and footnotes, the university format and the checks. This page explains how you can read the student's work and give comments.

Reading a review file

1. The student taps Supervisor → Save review file and sends you an .html file by WhatsApp or email.
2. Open the file in any browser, on a phone or a computer. You need no studio, no key and no internet.
3. Write your name. Write a comment under any section (or leave it blank), and an overall comment at the end.
4. Tap Save comments file and send the file to the student, or tap Copy comments and paste them into WhatsApp or an email.

When the student brings the comments into the studio, each one appears under its section or chapter; the student replies and marks it resolved. The next review file can show what has changed.

What the student does in the studio

- **Proposal**: problem, questions, objectives, sources or texts and method step by step, matched in an alignment matrix (objective, question, sources, method, chapter).
- **Sources (History)**: exact references for archival files, manuscripts, inscriptions, Acts and treaties, newspapers and interviews; an archive log; source description and criticism sheets; dates converted from Saka and Bhaskarabda with the month checked; a chronology.
- **Arguments (Philosophy)**: argument reconstruction sheets, truth-table and syllogism checkers, a list of fallacies with the Nyaya hetvabhasas, and theories from Indian and Western traditions with their original texts.
- **Oral history and ethics**: consent and release forms, an ethics checklist for archives, narrators and publication, field diaries and transcripts.
- **Citations and bibliography** in Chicago notes and bibliography or author–date (and APA, MLA or Harvard), with footnotes on the writing page.
- **Before submitting**: a similarity check under the UGC Regulations, 2018, and a declaration on the use of AI tools.

Approving the proposal

When you approve the synopsis, ask the student to mark it as approved in the studio. The proposal then becomes read-only; if the student changes it, the studio shows the difference from the approved version.

A supervisor’s key

If you would like to use the studio yourself, or to show it in a research methodology class, you can take a supervisor’s key.

Supervisor, 1 year, two devices	₹549
Supervisor package: one supervisor and five scholars (1 year)	₹1,999

> **Remember**
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> The student’s work stays on the student’s device. A review file holds only what the student chooses to send; it carries no data file.

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