

# **ASSIGNMENTS**

**M. A. (Education) 2<sup>nd</sup> Year  
(January – 2022)  
&  
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**Please Note:**

- a) Students are advised to select the assignments from the **Specialized Area** they have opted for.
- b) The Assignment Responses (ARs) may be submitted by hand or sent by registered post to the Programme – in – Charge of your Programme Study Centre.
- c) You should retain a copy of all the assignments in your own interest.

### **SPECIALIZED AREA: HIGHER EDUCATION**

#### **MES – 101: HIGHER EDUCATION: ITS CONTEXT AND LINKAGES**

**Assignment: 01**

- a) The aims of education are not fixed. They keep changing. 'Discuss the factors responsible for the changes in the aims of higher education.  
(500 Words)
- b) What are the important imperatives of quality in higher education? Discuss how quality can be brought about in the teaching-learning process?  
(500 Words)
- c) How is the phenomenon of globalization impacting Indian higher education? Discuss with examples.  
(500 Words)

## **MES – 102: INSTRUCTION IN HIGHER EDUCATION**

### **Assignment: 01**

- a) Describe, with examples, how you will use emerging information and communication technologies (ICTs) to make your classroom teaching effective.  
(500 Words)
- b) Compare grading system with marking system. Which of the two systems you would recommend for higher education system and why?  
(500 Words)
- c) Select a topic of your choice from college level. Develop ten frames of Programme Learning Material (PLM) following linear style. Describe the stages you have followed in the development of the PLM.  
(500 Words)

## **MES: 103 HIGHER EDUCATION: THE PSYCHO-SOCIAL CONTEXT**

### **Assignment: 01**

- a) Describe college related concerns of higher education students. Discuss the role of teacher as a counsellor.  
(500 Words)
- b) Discuss, with examples, various factors that affect student learning at higher education level.  
(500 Words)
- c) What are the basic features of a class-room environment? Go through the twelve (12) statements pertaining to classroom management profile given in the Unit-6: Dynamics of classroom management and their implications for practice. Write your response to each statement on a five point scale and analyse your response using the scoring instructions given in the unit. Based on the analysis, write a brief report highlighting the strengths and weaknesses of your classroom management profile.  
(500 Words)

## **MES-104: PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

### **Assignment: 01**

- a) Explain the meaning and features of organization development. Suggest organization development interventions for self-renewal of higher education institutions.

(500 Words)

- b) What is meant by communication? Explain how a teacher in higher education can make his/her communication effective.

(500 Words)

- c) Identify a content from the subject of your choice at higher education level. Describe the various components that you would consider while preparing instructional strategy for transacting the same content in the classroom.

(500 Words)

## **SPECIALIZED AREA: DISTANCE EDUCATION**

### **MES-111: GROWTH AND PHILOSOPHY OF DISTANCE EDUCATION**

#### **Assignment: 01**

- a) Analyse the socio-academic relevance of Distance Education System in the context of recent developments in education system of our country. (500 Words)
- b) Discuss the importance of Research and Staff Development as emerging operational concerns in Distance Education system. (500 Words)
- c) Describe the genesis of Distance Education with special reference to functions of International Council for Distance Education (ICDE) and the Commonwealth of Learning (COL). (500 Words)

### **MES-112: DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT OF SELF-LEARNING PRINT MATERIALS**

#### **Assignment: 01**

- a) Describe, briefly, different types of learning outcomes in Cognitive, Affective and Psychomotor domains. (500 Words)
- b) Explain different forms of assessment used in distance education system with suitable examples. (500 Words)
- c) Explain the concept of interactivity. Why is it important to make Self Learning Materials interactive? Illustrate, with a concept from the subject of your choice, how interactive self-learning material can be developed. (500 Words)

## **MES-113: LEARNER SUPPORT SERVICES**

### **Assignment: 01**

- a) Explain the functions of a Study Centre as an institutional arrangement for learner support in Distance Education system.  
(500 Words)
- b) Discuss the use of different media for counselling in Distance Education system.  
(500 Words)
- c) What are the teaching type tutor-comments used for evaluating assignments of distance learners? Explain each of these comments with suitable examples. Why are teaching type tutor comments provided to distance learners?  
(500 Words)

## **MES-114: MANAGEMENT OF DISTANCE EDUCATION**

### **Assignment: 01**

- a) Explain the processes of education in the light of views expressed by the International Commission on Education for the Twenty-first Century on the four pillars of education.  
(500 Words)
- b) Describe the roles and functions of the executive council, academic council and faculty/schools in governance of a university.  
(500 words)
- c) Critically analyse the role and characteristics of a change agent. Describe the skills that a change agent requires.  
(500 words)

**MES-115: COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY FOR DISTANCE EDUCATION**

**Assignment: 01**

a) Describe the process of educational communication. How does it apply in a Distance Education system?

(500 Words)

b) What are different types of field/location recording? Prepare a detailed plan of how you will carry out field recording for a TV programme.

(500 Words)

c) Critically analyse the implications of internet for Distance Education system highlighting its strengths and limitations.

(500 Words)

## **SPECIALIZED AREA: EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY**

### **MES-031 ET: AN OVERVIEW**

#### **Assignment: 01**

a) Describe, with an example, the steps that you would follow while evaluating educational technology being used in your institution.

(500 Words)

b) What are different types of learning environment? Select any three types of learning environment. Explain how technology can impact learning in those learning environments.

(500 Words)

c) Explain the concept of systems approach. Describe, with an example, how you can apply systems approach to education.

(500 Words)

### **MES-032 COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

#### **Assignment: 01**

a) Discuss the strategies for effective communication.

(500 Words)

b) Explain the strengths and limitations of non-broadcast media.

(500 Words)

c) How can technology be used for professional development. Suggest three plans.

(500 Words)



## **MES-033 COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY**

### **Assignment: 01**

- a) What is an 'Operating System'? Mention and explain the main features of 'Windows Operating System'. (500 Words)
- b) What is Multimedia? Discuss different uses of Multimedia. Give suitable examples. (500 Words)
- c) Discuss the use of newsgroup and discussion board for effective group communication. (500 Words)

## **MES-034 DESIGNING COURSEWARE**

### **Assignment: 01**

- a) Describe the steps for controlling the quality of courseware. (500 Words)
- b) Discuss the need for formative and summative evaluation of courseware. (500 Words)
- c) Explain the factors will you consider while planning the curriculum of a courseware? (500 Words)

## **SPECIALIZED AREA: EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT**

### **MES-041: GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT**

#### **Assignment: 01**

- a) Explain the terminological conflict between 'administration' and 'management'. How do you like to use these terms in the context of education?  
(500 Words)
- b) Discuss different categories of non-formal education.  
(500 Words)
- c) Critically analyse the issues of autonomy and accountability in management of higher educational institutions. Give suitable examples.  
(500 Words)

### **MES-042: DIMENSIONS OF EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT**

#### **Assignment- 01**

- a) What were the objectives of Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyaan? Critically examine its role in ensuring quality in Secondary Education.  
(500 Words)
- b) Discuss the role of Centre and State Governments in financing education.  
(500 Words)
- c) Why is Community participation in education important? Visit a school in your nearby region and enlist the ways through which school is involving different community members.  
(500 Words)

## **MES-043: ORGANIZATIONAL BEHAVIOUR**

### **Assignment-01**

- a) Describe the principles of leadership.

(500 Words)

- b) Suppose you are the head of an institution; what types of communication you would adopt among different stakeholders. Illustrate with examples.

(500 Words)

- c) Discuss, with examples, the kinds of decisions taken at various levels of institutional management cycle and the various stakeholders you would involve in this decision-making process.

(500 Words)

## **MES-044: INSTITUTIONAL MANAGEMENT**

### **Assignment-1**

- a) Why is planning important for curriculum transaction? Explain with suitable examples, course, unit and lesson planning.

(500 Words)

- b) Explain the concept of Student Support System with special reference to Open Education System. Discuss the support services managed by a single mode institution like IGNOU in Open Education System.

(500 Words)

- c) Discuss the processes and the use of 'brainstorming' in education as a quality group process tool with illustrations.

(500 Words)

## **SPECIALIZED AREA: ADULT EDUCATION**

### **MAE-001: UNDERSTANDING ADULT EDUCATION**

#### **Assignment: 01**

- a) Discuss the applications of ICTs in adult education by citing suitable examples.  
(500 Words)
- b) Explain the significance of the shift from psychology-oriented approach to sociological approach to understanding of adult education.  
(500 Words)
- c) What are the contemporary literacy practices in India? Explain their relevance with focus on the issues of gender and language.  
(500 Words)

### **MAE-002: POLICY PALNNING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF ADULT EDUCATION IN INDIA**

#### **Assignment: 01**

- a) What are the key features of participatory research? How is participatory research different from conventional research?  
(500 Words)
- b) Discuss the role of local bodies in implementation of adult education programmes.  
(500 Words)
- c) What do you mean by lifelong learning? What are challenges faced in offering lifelong learning programmes? Suggest some measures for addressing the same.  
(500 Words)

### **MAE-003: KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT, INFORMATION DISSEMINATION AND NETWORKING IN ADULT EDUCATION**

#### **Assignment: 01**

- a) Explain knowledge management system in an Adult Learning setup with special reference to the areas of Education, Health and Hygiene, and Employment. (500 Words)
- b) Discuss different kinds of information dissemination services. Give suitable examples. (500 Words)
- c) Explain the concept and significance of team work in an organization. Examine the group processes involved in different forms of team work. (500 Words)

### **MAE-004: EXTENSION EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT**

#### **Assignment: 01**

- a) Explain the philosophy and principles underlying extension education. (500 Words)
- b) Discuss the classical theory of economic development. (500 Words)
- c) Why are monitoring and evaluation important in extension programmes? Explain the relevance of various methods of monitoring and evaluation. Give suitable examples. (500 Words)

