MADE

MASTER OF ARTS IN DISTANCE EDUCATION MA(DE)

ASSIGNMENTS

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(MDE-415, MDE-416, MDE-417, MDE-419)

Assignments should be submitted to Director, STRIDE, Block-16, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi-110068 by post.



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Assignment 01 (MDE-415)

1. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

Education through World Wide Web is becoming very common. Describe the research studies conducted under this new area. Explain what are the major findings.

2. Answer any three of the following questions in about 250-300 words.

- a) Write the points on which you will evaluate a research problem.
- b) Differentiate between cluster sampling and multi stage sampling.
- c) Explain the characteristics of a Good Research Tool.
- d) Write the main steps involved in Experimental Research.

3. Answer the following in about 800 words.

Describe the main components of a Research Report.

Course Coordinator (MDE-415): Prof. Madhu Parhar, e-mail: mparhar@ignou.ac.in

Assignment 02 (MDE-416)

Due date: May 15, 2015

1. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

Write a detailed note on the emerging profile of a distance teacher as a professional in open and distance education.

2. Answer any three of the following questions in about 250-300 words each.

- a) Write a note on the validity of a test.
- b) Briefly explain the points to be considered while formulating educational objectives.
- c) Explain the reasons for conducting course evaluation.
- d) Differentiate between formative and summative evaluation.
- e) Describe curriculum as a 'planned learning outcomes'.

3. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

Discuss the emergence of curriculum as a field of study by tracing its genesis and growth.

Course Coordinator (MDE-416): Dr. R. Satyanarayana, e-mail: rsatyanarayana@ignou.ac.in

1. Answer the following questions in about 800 words:

Explain how education and the economy of a nation are dependent on each other.

2. Answer the following questions in about 400 words each:

- a) How is wastage in education measured?
- b) Distinguish and establish the relationship between average cost and marginal cost.

3. Answer the following question in about 800 words:

Distance education is cheaper than traditional forms of education. Explain.

Course Coordinator (MDE-417): Prof. Manjulika Srivastava, email: manjulika@ignou.ac.in

Assignment 04 (MDE-419)	Due date: September 30, 2015
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1. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

Do you think there is a need for training of course writers in distance education? Justify your answer with examples.

2. Answer any three of the following questions in about 300 words each.

- a) What are the topics you may like to include in a 3-day training workshop for the Academic Counsellors in distance education?
- b) Discuss any two types of Continuing Professional Development (CPD) activities.
- c) Discuss the pedagogical role of the teacher in online education/training.
- d) Discuss the advantages of the portfolio approach for evaluating online learning/training.

3. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

If you are asked to organize a 5-day training workshop for the newly joined faculty of any open university, how would you plan and organize the workshop? Discuss critically. Prepare a 5-day training schedule, highlighting the contents, session duration, and strategies to be followed in each session.

Course Coordinator (MDE-419): Prof. P.K. Biswas, e-mail: pkbiswas@ignou.ac.in