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**MASTER OF ARTS IN DISTANCE EDUCATION
MA(DE)**

ASSIGNMENTS

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**Assignments should be submitted to Director, STRIDE, Block-16, IGNOU,
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1. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

Select a research problem in distance education. Write which research method you will use to study and give reasons.

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

- a) Write the research findings on Learning Styles of Distance Learners.
- b) Write a short note on Phenomenology and Educational Research.
- c) Differentiate between Interval Scale and Ratio Scale.
- d) Explain the advantages of using Interview as a research tool.

3. Answer the following in about 800 words.

Write the criteria for evaluating Review of Literature chapter of any research report.

Course Coordinator (MDE-415): Prof. Madhu Parhar, e-mail: mparhar@ignou.ac.in
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1. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

Describe concept of curriculum. Explain emergence of curriculum and role of teacher in open and distance education.

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

- a) Differentiate between learner centered and content centered curriculum design.
- b) Define curriculum from your own experiences as a teacher and explain its validity and justify them.
- c) Describe the criteria for selection of methods and media in developing curriculum.
- d) Explain basic tenants of formative and summative evaluation.

3. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

Explain various theories of curriculum and its implications in teaching learning process.

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

1. Answer the following question in about 800 words:

What are the approaches which are employed by planners for assessing the contribution of education to economic growth and social development?

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

- a) Differentiate between cost efficiency and cost effectiveness.
- b) What are the principles of financial management?

3. Answer the following question in about 800 words:

What are the factors affecting the cost of academic programmes offered through distance mode? Explain with the help of a case study.

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

1. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

Discuss the need for training of newly joined faculty in an open university.

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

- a) What are the topics you may like to include in a training workshop for the support staff at study centres in an open university?
- b) Who are called 'pro-active' trainers? Discuss their characteristics with examples.
- c) What are the advantages and disadvantages of online training?
- d) Discuss the purposes of evaluation of a training programme.

3. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

If you are asked to organize a 3-day training workshop for the administrative staff of any open university, how would you plan and organize the workshop. Discuss step-by-step, starting from planning to evaluation of the training workshop. Prepare a 3-day training schedule highlighting the contents, session duration, and strategies to be followed in the sessions.

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