

MASTER OF ARTS IN DISTANCE EDUCATION (MADE — ES Series)

ASSIGNMENTS

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2nd year

(ES-315, ES-316, ES-317, ES-319)

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



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Dear Learner,

Welcome to the Master of Arts in Distance Education (MADE) programme.

As explained in the MADE Programme Guide, you need to submit one assignment per course within the stipulated time for being eligible to appear in the term-end examination. The assignments will be evaluated by the STRIDE faculty. Please send your assignments to the Director, STRIDE at the address given bellow.*

Before you attempt the assignments, please read the instructions provided in the Programme Guide and go through the course materials carefully. Please read the instructions pertaining to an assignment before your start writing your answer. **Your responses should not be a verbatim reproduction of the textual materials/blocks provided for self learning purpose**. And response should not be copied from any other source. We advise you read the material carefully, understand the same and write response in your own words. This would fetch you to get better grade than copying from other sources. We hope, you will attempt the assignments carefully and submit the same to STRIDE before the due date as mentioned in each case. If you have any doubts or problems pertaining to the courses and assignments, contact STRIDE faculty without hesitation. Email address of the each Course Coordinator is given below.

Wish you all the best.

Prof. C.R.K. Murthy Director e-mail: crkmurthy@ignou.ac.in

Note: The minimum standards for completion of a course and also the MADE programme are the following:

- a) Minimum standards 'D' grade in Continuous Evaluation i.e., each assignment in each course
- b) Minimum 'C' grade in the Term-End Examination in each course.
- c) Final grade in a course (Assignment+ Term-End Examination) should be at least 'C'

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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 in about 250-300 words each.

- a) Write the points on which you will evaluate any 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 (ES-315): Prof. Madhu Parhar, e-mail: mparhar@ignou.ac.in

Assignment 02 (ES-316)

Due date: May 15, 2016

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 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 (ES-316): Dr. R. Satyanarayana, e-mail: rsatyanarayana@ignou.ac.in

Assignment 03 (ES-317)

Due date: June 30, 2016

1. Answer the following question 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 (ES-317): Prof. Manjulika Srivastava, email: manjulika@ignou.ac.in

Assignment 04 (ES-319)

1. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

Do you think there is a need for professional training of newly joined faculty in an Open University? Justify your answer with suitable examples.

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 2-day training workshop for the Academic Counsellors in distance education?
- b) Who are called 'pro-active' trainers? Discuss their characteristics with examples.
- c) What are the advantages of course team approach in developing course material in distance education?
- 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 course writers in distance education, how would you plan and organize the workshop? Discuss critically. Prepare a 3-day training schedule, highlighting the contents, session duration, and strategies to be followed in each session.

Course Coordinator (ES-319): Prof. P.K. Biswas, e-mail: pkbiswas@ignou.ac.in