
MDE-415 Assignment

1. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

What is the role of Descriptive Research in Distance Education? Discuss with the help of examples.

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

- a) Differentiate between probability and non-probability sampling.
- b) Write a short note on "Content Analysis".
- c) Discuss the criteria for evaluating a research report.
- d) What are the major research tools used for data-gathering in Distance Education? Discuss any two with help of examples

3. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

"Reporting of any research activity is as important as doing the research itself". Do you agree? Explain the main components involved in writing a research report.

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MDE-416 Assignment

1. Answer the following question in about 800 words:

Explain the implications of philosophical issues in curriculum development.

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

- a) Explain any one course delivery model in distance education.
- b) What are the basic criteria in selecting content development?
- c) Analyze the guidelines followed in formulating education objectives.
- d) Write a brief note on the essential of curriculum, and how they are taken care of in the case of distance education.
- e) Distinguish between course design and course development with the help of suitable examples.

3. Answer the following question in about 800 words:

Differentiate between formative and summative evaluation in ODL.

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MDE-417 Assignment

1. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

While distinguishing between 'Economic Growth' and 'Economic Development', argue if distance education can be considered as contributing to either economic growth or economic development.

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

- a) Write a brief note on sources of finance for meeting the expenses of distance teaching institutions?
- b) Distinguish between 'cost -effectiveness' and 'cost efficiency' with suitable examples.
- c) Distinguish between physical capital and human capital with suitable examples.
- d) Describe the variables which affect the cost of a distance learning programme.

3. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

Describe cost functions in education. In what way can this be applied to distance education? Justify your views with suitable examples.

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MDE-419 Assignment

1. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

Identify the training needs of the course writers in distance education. Discuss any suitable strategy to train them.

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

- a) Discuss the pedagogical role of a teacher in online training
- b) Explain the purposes of evaluation of a training programme.
- c) What is a learning management system? Discuss with examples.
- d) Discuss the role of Management Information System

3. Answer the following question in about 800 words.

If you are asked to plan and organize a 3-day training programme for the non-academic support staff in distance education, how would you plan and organize the programme? Prepare a schedule for the training programme.

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