

ASSIGNMENTS

**M. A. (Education) 2nd Year
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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) Indian Education system has inherited several features of the colonial system. Discuss the major features of the British system of education that find a place in the present education system.
(500 words)
- b) Discuss the characteristics of the Open and Distance Learning (ODL) system. How can the ODL system promote equity and access in Higher Education?
(500 words)
- c) Why is assessment and accreditation of higher learning institutions important? Critically analyse the functioning of the agency responsible for assessing higher education institutions.
(500 words)

MES – 102: INSTRUCTION IN HIGHER EDUCATION

Assignment: 01

a) Describe the phases of a lecture. Suggest how a teacher of higher education can improve his/her skills of lecture in classroom.

(500 Words)

b) What is meant by Item Analysis of test items? Describe how item analysis is carried out for items in a norm-referenced test.

(500 Words)

c) Choose an undergraduate programme of your choice. You are interested in improving the same programme by applying the concepts related to systems approach to instruction. Describe the various steps that you would take while developing the instructional system for the same programme.

(500 Words)

MES: 103 HIGHER EDUCATION: THE PSYCHO-SOCIAL CONTEXT

Assignment: 01

a) Describe systems approach to understand institutions in the context of a higher education organisation.

(500 Words)

b) Describe principles of developing professional relationships.

(500 Words)

c) What are the common familial concerns of college goers? Interview any five college goers on the checklist of psychological problems faced by them (Unit-13, p.15) and prepare a report.

(500 Words)

MES-104: PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Assignment: 01

a) 'Autonomy and accountability are two sides of the same coin'. Discuss the statement in the context of a college or a university that you are familiar with. (500 Words)

b) Explain the mechanism of managing and developing human resources in an institution of higher education. (500 Words)

c) Suppose you are member of a curriculum planning group in the subject of your choice at college level. Describe the stages that your group would follow while planning the curriculum on the same subject.

(500 Words)

SPECIALIZED AREA: DISTANCE EDUCATION

MES-111: GROWTH AND PHILOSOPHY OF DISTANCE EDUCATION

Assignment: 01

a) 'Distance Education Systems: A Socio-Academic Perspective.' Explain the statement with suitable examples.

(500 words)

b) Critically analyse Michael Moore's notion of independent study practiced in distance education system.

(500 words)

c) Examine the system and development of distance education in the Asian Countries with special reference to the Countries of Bangladesh and India.

(500 words)

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

Assignment: 01

- a) Explain the concept of Experimental Learning and Constructivism. Critically analyse Kolb's Experimental Learning Model with suitable example. (500 words)
- b) Analyse briefly different types of Self-Learning Texts with suitable examples. (500 words)
- c) Explain the importance of planning as a process for course development. What are the necessary activities that you consider important for preparation of course in distance education system? Illustrate with examples.

MES-113: LEARNER SUPPORT SERVICES

Assignment: 01

- a) Explain the nature of support services required for the learners at the pre, during and post course stages in distance education system. (500 words)
- b) Describe the nature of developmental and problem-solving counselling practiced in distance education system. Highlight the personal, study and time related barriers faced in counselling in the distance education system. (500 words)
- c) Critically analyse different types of tutor comments used in distance education system with suitable examples. (500 words)

MES-114: MANAGEMENT OF DISTANCE EDUCATION

Assignment: 01

- a) Discuss various considerations that need to be taken into account while planning the establishment of a distance education institution. (500 words)

- b) Discuss the factors that affect the change process in a distance education institution.
(500 words)
- c) Describe the process of development and delivery of a course followed in Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU).
(500 words)

MES-115: COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY FOR DISTANCE EDUCATION

Assignment: 01

- a) Discuss, with examples, how communication technologies are used in different instructional activities of a distance education institution.
(500 words)
- b) Differentiate between satellite-based and terrestrial communication. Discuss how satellite-based communication can be used in distance education.
(500 Words)
- c) Describe, with an example, the processes involved in the production of television programme.
(500 Words)

SPECIALIZED AREA: EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY

(REVISED)

(Note: For the second year learners re-registered from July 2022 session onwards)

MES 131: Educational Technology: An Overview

Answer the following questions in about 500 words each:

- a) Discuss legal perspective of technology use in education.

- b) Explain the meaning and features of a Learning Management System (LMS). Describe the criteria for selecting a Learning Management System.
- c) Suppose you are a teacher in an institution of higher learning. Discuss how you can use Information and Communication Technology (ICT) for your professional development.

MES 132: Computer in Education

Answer the following questions in about 500 words each:

- a) What is ‘Troubleshooting’? Discuss some of the common problems that we can face in a computer.
- b) Discuss different ways to connect to the Internet provided there is an Internet Service Provider (ISP) at the place.
- c) You are appointed as a teacher in a secondary school. Choose a topic from your subject and write how you will plan and transact a lesson keeping in mind the Universal Design Learning (UDL) principles. Give suitable examples.

MES 133: Selection and Integration of Technology in Educational Processes

Answer the following questions in about 500 words each:

- a) What do you mean by learning spaces? Suggest some technologies that can be used in today’s learning spaces?
- b) Define Open Educational Resource (OER). How are OERs created?.
- c) How will you use technology for management of educational institutions? Explain with suitable examples.

MES 134: Design, Development and Delivery of Courseware

Answer the following questions in about 500 words each:

- a) Describe the concept of learning design.
- b) Describe the approaches to media use for developing courseware.

- c) What are the Benefits of RLOs? Describe the criteria you will consider while selecting RLOs.

SPECIALIZED AREA: EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY

(UNREVISED)

MES-031 ET: AN OVERVIEW

Answer the following questions in about 500 words each:

- a) Explain the concept of Educational Technology. Describe how Educational Technology has evolved through different phases.
- b) Explain the importance of video programmes in the teaching-learning process. Describe, with an example, how you can utilize a video programme effectively in transacting curricular experiences.
- c) Suppose you are a teacher of Educational Technology and want to evaluate the effectiveness of educational technologies being used in your institution. Describe the steps that you will follow while evaluating educational technologies. Support your answer with an example.

MES-032 COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Answer the following questions in about 500 words each:

- a) Explain the main equipment used in an audio studio.
- b) Discuss the nature of classroom communication with suitable examples.
- c) Select a topic of your choice. How will you use technology/ies to teach selected the topic. Give the detailed plan of teaching.

MES-033 COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY

Answer the following questions in about 500 words each:

- a) Define 'Artificial Intelligence'? Discuss expert systems that use the principles of artificial intelligence.
- b) Explain the term, 'animation'. Describe its use in education with examples.
- c) Do you think use of computers would enhance 'autonomy' of learners? Present your arguments with examples of any two software you have used.

MES-034 DESIGNING COURSEWARE

Answer the following questions in about 500 words each:

- a) Describe the formats of television programmes.
- b) Describe the process of formative evaluation, which you would like to carry out while developing an educational video.
- c) Describe the steps to be taken for planning video programmes.

SPECIALIZED AREA: EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT

MES-041: GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT

Assignment: 01

- a) What is Total Quality Management? Explain its significance in educational management.
(500 words)
- b) Discuss the factors considered to be converging to innovate learning organizations.
(500 words)
- c) Critically analyse the role of NGOs in inclusive education.
(500 words)

MES-042: DIMENSIONS OF EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT

Assignment- 01

a) Explain briefly role of any two national level institutions and organisations from the following: (500 words)

a. National Council for Educational Research and Training

b. National Open School

c. Central Board of Secondary Examination

d. University Grant Commission

b) Briefly discuss the role of central and state government in implementing educational schemes during 2012 to 2018. (500 words)

b) As a school principal of a primary school, suggest a plan to include community members to improve girl's enrolment in your school. (500 words)

MES-043: ORGANIZATIONAL BEHAVIOUR

Assignment-01

a) Discuss the change drivers that influence educational management. (500 words)

b) Elaborate the types of communication in an educational system. (500 words)

c) Suppose you are the head of an educational institution. Illustrate how you would take decisions at various levels of institutional management cycle and whom you would involve as stakeholders. (500 words)

MES-044: INSTITUTIONAL MANAGEMENT

Assignment-1

- a) Critically analyse the components of classroom management in terms of pre-active and interactive phase of teaching-learning process.
(500 words)
- b) Explain the concept of managing student support system with special reference to managing teaching learning strategies.
(500 words)
- c) Explain input, process and output indicators for ensuring quality education. According to you, how can quality in education be assured and improved? Exemplify.
(500 words)

SPECIALIZED AREA: ADULT EDUCATION

MAE-001: UNDERSTANDING ADULT EDUCATION

Assignment: 01

Answer the following questions in about 500 words each.

- a) Discuss the major shifts in the international policy perspective on adult education and lifelong learning.
- b) What is participatory evaluation? Explain the relative significance of different approaches to participatory evaluation in the field of adult education.
- c) Critically analyse the implications of different theories of learning to adult learning.

MAE-002: POLICY PALNNING AND IMPLEMENATION OF ADULT EDUCATION IN INDIA

Assignment: 01

Answer the following questions in about 500 words each.

- a) Explain need and significance of community involvement in implementing adult education programmes.
- b) Discuss different aspects of the 'post-training phase' of participatory training in adult education.
- c) How can the resource support structures of adult education in India be strengthened? Give your suggestions.

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

Assignment: 01

Answer the following questions in about 500 words each.

- a) What are the prerequisites and challenges of Knowledge Management in adult education? Discuss them with suitable examples.
- b) Discuss, with suitable examples, the importance of organizational structure, design and functions in the context of adult education.
- c) Explain the concept of Electronic Networks of Practice (ENoPs). How do you distinguish ENoPs from conventional social networks? Give suitable examples.

MAE-004: EXTENSION EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Assignment: 01

Answer the following questions in about 500 words each.

- a) What is extension? What are the components of extension? What are the steps involved in extension process?
- b) Explain the process of Programme Planning with suitable examples.
- c) Critically analyse the role of Manpower Planning and Personnel Management in extension and development.

