SSW 5302: LIFE SKILLS EDUCATION

Course Objectives:

- Understanding the basic concepts of life skills and its application
- To learn the strategies for enhancing personality and competency
- To learn the practice of life Skills for self enhancement and wellbeing
- Application of Life Skills in various spheres

Course Outline

UNIT 1 Introduction to Life Skills

Skills, Livelihood Skills, Survival Skills and Life Skills; Definition and importance of Life Skills; Life Skills: Generic, Problem Specific and Area Specific Skills; Life Skills Approach in Education and Training

Evolution of the Concept of Life Skills: Report of the Education Commissions of UNESCO: Faure Report and Delors' Report; UN Inter-Agency Report; Hamburg Declaration; Dakar Framework: Quality Education and Life Skills; Development of Life Skills in a person: process

UNIT 2 Core Life Skills: Social & Negotiation Skills

Self-Awareness: Understanding Self, Self-Concept, Body Image, Self Esteem; Techniques for Self-Exploration: Jo-Hari Window, SWOT Analysis, Self-talk, self-motivation

Empathy: Sympathy, Perception, Empathy & Altruism, practicing empathy;

Effective Communication: Types and elements of communication, Assertiveness, Effective Listening, Negotiation Techniques & Process, Barriers of Communication, Presentation Skills, Questioning skills.

Interpersonal Relationship: Definition, Building, Sustaining and Ending Relationships, Factors Affecting Relationships.

UNIT 3 Core Life Skills: Thinking and Coping Skills

Critical Thinking: Analytical Thinking, Strategies to enhance Critical Thinking

Creative Thinking: Out-of-the box thinking, Stages of Creative Thinking, Factors hindering creative thinking, Characteristics of Creative thinkers

Problem Solving: Definition, Steps in Problem Solving

Decision Making: Definition, Informed Decision Making, Consequences of Decision Making, Ripple Effects of Decision Making, Models of Decision Making: 3C and P.O.W.E.R MODEL

Coping with Emotions: Basic Emotions, Expressing Emotions: Positive and Negative Emotions, ABC Model of Emotions

Coping with Stress: Definition, Types, Sources of Stress, GAS Model of Stress, Strategies to Manage Stress

Life skills work in combination- thinking skills, social skills, and coping skills

UNIT 4 Life Skills for Personality Development

Life Skills for Personal Effectiveness- Values: Punctuality, Honesty, Loyalty, Dependability, Reliability; Building Self-confidence and Self-Motivation; Goal Setting: Types, Steps, Personal vision and goal; Time Management; Effective Learning: Study Skills and Memory Techniques; Manners and etiquettes

UNIT 5 Practicum- Skill Lab

Topics prescribed for workshop/Skill lab- Group discussion, Team building and team work, Facing Interviews, Creativity, Leadership, Self-Expression, Self-branding, Exercising Thinking Skills through case study analysis/discussions/ debates, Exercising Life Skills in day to day life - Internalizing and experience sharing

Course Outcome

- The learners will adopt the necessary Life Skills in their day to day life.
- The learners will be able to impart life skills education to the various sections of the society.
- The learner will be able to practice learned life skills in to different section of society.
- Learners will learn coping skills into practice

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