Induction Meeting for Students of July 2020 Batch

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Maintain your Link with Regional Centre and Study Centre

- Regional Centre and Your Study Centre are your link to the University. Follow all the guidelines given by the Regional Centre and Study Centre.
- Study Centre organizes counseling sessions which help you to understand the study material.
- Be in touch with the Study Centre to know the schedule for online /offline counseling sessions.
- Keep checking your sms or phone.
- Some may have given the phone numbers of relatives. Request them to keep you informed about messages received.

Programme Structure

- **Course 1**: DECE-1: Organizing Child Care Services
- **Course 2:** DECE-2: Child Health and Nutrition
- Course 3:DECE-3: Services and Programmes for Children
- Course 4: DECE-4: Project Work: Working with Young Children in a Child care Setting
- The programme is of 32 credits.

Study Material

- Programme Guide available online <u>http://ignou.ac.in/upload/programme/DECE%20English%2</u> 0%20%20Programme%20Guide.pdf
- DECE -1 7 Blocks and 1 Practical Manual
- DECE 2 7 Blocks and 1 Practical Manual
- DECE 3 5 Blocks and 1 Practical Manual
- DECE 4 1 Project Manual
- Egyankosh -

http://egyankosh.ac.in/handle/123456789/30849 -English Study material

http://egyankosh.ac.in/handle/123456789/30830

Hindi Study material

http://egyankosh.ac.in/handle/123456789/64590 - videos

Evaluation Methodology

For Courses DECE 1, 2 and 3

- a) One Assignment for each course
- b) One Written Term end examination for each course

Assignments carry 30 percent weightage Term-End Examination carries 70 percent weightage towards the learner's total final score.

• Link Available on IGNOU website

https://webservices.ignou.ac.in/assignments/soce/2 019-2020/dece/dece%20english%20mail.pdf – English

 <u>https://webservices.ignou.ac.in/assignments/soce/2</u> 019-2020/dece/dece%20mail%20corel%20hindi.pdf
 – Hindi

- Different Regional Centres have different procedures for assignment submission. Follow the procedure given to you.
- Regional Centre Khanna has asked students to post the hard copy of assignment to the address given to you on sms.
- Some Regional Centres may have given you an e mail id to send soft copy.
- Do not send assignment anywhere else.

If you are sending hard copy, then

- Keep a photocopy.
- Write on the envelope which assignments you have enclosed.
- Do NOT enclose the Project Work Report in the assignments.
- Last date 30th April, 2021

- Each Assignment has 3 parts A,B and C. Complete all parts and submit together.
- Do not copy from each other or internet. Such assignments will NOT be marked. You will have to do the assignment again.
- This leads to massive time loss for you and delay in getting the Diploma.

Project Work – DECE 4

- The aim is to develop and strengthen your abilities for working and interacting with young children and planning play based activities to provide preschool education.
- Pre COVID Project Work required working with Children for 30 working days in a nursery school, according to guidelines given in DECE 4 Project Manual.
- Now in present COVID situation you have to still work with children but there are modifications.

Project Work – DECE 4

- These modifications are explained in the **Separate document called:** *New Guidelines for Alternative Project Work and Assignments of Diploma in Early Childhood Care and Education (DECE) during this period when Preschools are closed due to COVID 19 Pandemic*
- <u>http://www.ignou.ac.in/userfiles/PDF%20English%20</u> +%20Hindi%20Guidelines%20for%20DECE%20Projec t%20work%20in%20COVID%20Scenario.pdf</u>
- New Guidelines can be understood only after you read the Project Work Manual – DECE 4.

Two Possible Situations reg. Project Work

• Situation 1:

Preschools are open – Do Project work as given in Project Manual

• Situation 2:

Preschools are closed. Do Project work as given in New Guidelines. Along with the Guidelines you still need to refer to Project Manual.

Situation 1: Preschools are open in your area

- Identify a preschool that follows play-based teachinglearning methodology
- Use Checklists given at Annexure 5 of DECE 4 Project Manual to do so
- Teacher child ratio in pre-primary: not more than 1-30
- Pre-Primary Schools which do ONLY Formal Teaching should not be selected for Project Work
- Identify the Guide: The teacher of pre-primary section which you have identified for Project Work is your Supervisor (Guide)

Situation 2: Preschools are not open

- Identify a Guide
- Guide has to be identified BEFORE you begin the Project Work.
- It is COMPULSORY to identify a Guide whenever you want to start the Project Work.
- You will need to interact daily with your Guide, show him/her the work you are doing as per these New Guidelines and get your work evaluated.

Qualification of the Guide also mentioned in New Guidelines

Professionals / teachers with

- Masters Degree in Child Development/ Human Development
- Masters Degree in any other field of Home Science / Bachelors Degree in Home Science who has attended one or more seminars/ workshops/training programmes in field of preschool education totaling up to 15 days or has experience of teaching preschool children
- Diploma in Nursery Teacher Training/ Diploma in Preschool Education
- Diploma in Elementary Education/ Elementary Teacher Training / Junior Basic Training / 3 Basic Teacher Course

Qualification of the Guide also mentioned in New Guidelines

- B. Ed and who has attended one or more seminars/ workshops/training programmes in field of preschool education totaling up to 15 days or has experience of teaching preschool children
- Graduate Degree in any discipline who has attended one or more seminars/ workshops/training programmes in field of preschool education totaling up to 6 months and has at least one year experience of teaching preschool children
- Any other qualification/ training in the area of preschool education/ early childhood education and at least one year experience of teaching preschool children

Who Cannot be your Supervisor (Guide)

A teacher who is B.Ed but with no qualification in preschool education, cannot be the guide, even if she is teaching the pre-primary section.

➤ A person enrolled in DECE programme as student at present cannot be the guide

About Project Work – In detail

Duration of Project work: 30 working days

Three phases:▶ Phase I : 5 days
▶ Phase 2 : 20 days
▶ Phase 3 : 5 days

First Phase

- 5 Full days
- Observing & Reporting

Phase 1 : If Preschools are open

- Observe and note each activity that the Guide carries out with the children.
- Write a report of your observation as per the format given in Project Manual

Phase 1 If Preschools are Closed

- Watch videos of teacher/ teachers conducting preschool education activities with young children in a centre and then write the Report of observation, analysis and conclusion of each video, as per the guidelines and format for Phase 1 given in the Project Manual
- Links of the videos student has to watch given in New Guidelines

Phase 2-20 days

Planning Play Activities

Conducting Activities with children

Reporting how the Activities were conducted

Planning Activities

- Planning of activities is the same whether working at preschool or If preschools are closed
- You have to plan for 30 activity sessions to be done in 20 days
- One Activity per day for first 10 Days
- Two Activities per day for next 10 days
- Specific activity sessions to be organized and their sequence refer to Project Manual
- Format for Writing Activity Sessions refer to Project Manual

Conducting Activities 3 Possibilities

If Schools are open you will conduct activities in the school with Children

If Schools are closed you will conduct activities with a Child between 3 to 5+ years of age at home or in neighborhood

If no child available to you at home , then you will conduct Mock sessions

If you work at home with the child or do mock sessions then record at least 5 minutes of each activity conducted as video (to be shown to guide)

Report of Activities

- Write Report of Activities as per format given in Project Manual
- If you have conducted mock/simulated sessions, there will be <u>no report</u> of the activity, since there is no child.

Phase 3 - 5 days

a) Planning Week's Curriculum Should have Between 15-20 activities in total

b) Planning, Conducting and Reporting these 20 Activities Just as was done in Phase 2

Phase 3

 If mock sessions done in Phase 2 and 3, then instead of Report Writing, you have to locate video/ videos of 5 different Activity Sessions on You Tube or through any other way, where a pre-primary teacher or an early childhood worker is carrying out 5 different learning activities with young children and write an analytical report of each of these five sessions, as per format given in New Guidelines document.

Project File

If Project Work done face-to-face with children, then Project file will contain the following

- 5 Days of observation reports of Phase 1
- 30 Activity Plan and 30 Reports of Phase 2
- Week's Curriculum and 15-20 Activity Plans and Reports of Phase 3
- + Annexures

Project File

If Project Work done with children at home then Project file will contain the following

- reports of analysis of 2 videos for phase 1
- 30 Activity Plan and 30 Reports of Phase 2
- Week's Curriculum and 15-20 Activity Plans and Reports of Phase 3
- If no reports in Phase 2 and 3, then reports of analysis of 5 vides
- + Annexures

Project File

If Project Work done at home but through mock sessions then Project file will contain the following

- reports of analysis of 2 videos for phase 1
- 30 Activity Plan
- Week's Curriculum and 15-20 Activity Plans
- Reports of analysis of 5 You tube videos
- + Annexures

Role of Guide

- All the work done from Phase 1 onwards has to be shown to the Guide on a REGULAR BASIS and got signed and marked by the Guide.
- Meet your Guide face-to-face maintaining social distancing, or interact with her and send her your work and videos through Telephone/ Mobile/ E mail/WhatsApp and get the work evaluated.

Marks and Annexure to be Filled and Signed by Guide

- If you work in School face-to-face with children, the Guide has to follow the marking scheme given in Annexure 2 of Project Manual Hard copy and use Annexure 3A in Project Manual Hard copy to report the marks.
- She has to certify that bona-fide work was done by you by filling Annexure 1A and 1B given in Hard copy in Project Manual.

Marks and Annexure to be Filled and Signed by Guide

- If you work according to New Guidelines for COVID with a child at home, then Guide has to follow the marking scheme for the Project Work given from page 8 onwards in New Guidelines document and use Revised Annexure 3A in New Guidelines document.
- You and the Guide have to certify that bonafide work was done using Revised Annexure 1A and 1B given in in New Guidelines document.

File Submission

- The last date of submission of Project File to IGNOU headquarters for June 2021 Term End Examination is 30th May 2021.
- Keep checking the IGNOU website regarding extension of this date.
- You can submit later as well any time in the four year period.
- Soft copy of File has to be submitted on e portal which will be operational in May on IGNOU website.
- Hard copy of File can also be submitted but soft copy is preferable as it leads to faster checking.

Evaluation Methodology for Project work

- Marks to be given by Guide
- Marks given at IGNOU Headquarters based on the File you submit
- IGNOU Examiners have the authority to moderate the marks given by the guide
- You have to obtain pass marks in Guide's evaluation as well as IGNOU evaluation
- Two Files which are similar or which are copied from internet or bought from market are considered as copy cases and will be referred to **IGNOU's Ethics Committee**. This committee can call you to come physically to IGNOU and explain your case. It can take decision to debar you for doing the course for one term etc.
- Files which are original work but poor quality work will be sent back for resubmission.

We are open to questions from you now.