

RAJAGIRI COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
VALUE ADDED PROGRAMME
LIFE SKILLS DEVELOPMENT (LSD)

Code: MSWLSD

Total credits-2(30 Hours)

Course Learning Outcome:

To develop abilities for adaptive and positive behaviour, that enables individuals to deal effectively with the demands and challenges of everyday life.

To form the foundation of life skills education for the promotion of mental well being, and healthy interaction and behaviour.

To enable students to translate knowledge, attitudes and values into actual abilities – ie., what to do and how to do it.

To contribute to students' perception of self efficacy, self confidence and self esteem.

Module 1: Life Skills - Teaching Hours: 8

What is a life skill? Concept of Life styles, Communication and action skills. Verbal communication skills, vocal communication skills, body language- traits and attitudes, mind skills, rules skills, perception skills, self talk skills, visual images skills, explanation skills, expectation skills, realistic goals skills, time management skills, Self awareness.

Activity1: Assessing own communication skills

Activity 2: Assessing own body language

Module 2: Presentation skills - Teaching Hours: 7

Planning, structuring and delivering a presentation, effective use of language and audio visual aids, developing delivery skills, communication skills, managing performance anxiety, relaxation techniques, Interviews and Group discussions.

Activity 1: Preparing a systematic presentation Activity 2: Assessing the delivery skills

Activity 3: Using mind skills to manage presenting material anxiety

Module 3: Relationship skills - Teaching Hours: 8

Relationship skills, skills for listening and showing understanding, skills for choosing and starting a relationship, skills for managing shyness, skills for developing intimacy, assertiveness

skills, skills for anger management, coping with emotions and stress, attitude formation , leadership skills.

Activity 1: Listening and understanding skills

Activity 2: Relationship skills

Activity 3: Building a friend

Module 4: Critical thinking skills - Teaching Hours: 7

Critical thinking, restraining emotions, Creative thinking- stages, nature, barriers and strategies to improve creativity, looking at things differently, analyzing information, asking questions, solving problems, distinguishing facts from opinion, seeking truth in arguments and persuasion, Decision making, Problem solving- steps, strategies, and factors affecting problem solving, and creative thinking skills.

Activity 1: Make a plan for critical thinking

Activity 2: Conflict management

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