Sindh Madressatul Islam University, Karachi Department of Education

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OVERVIEW

The Department of Education comprises highly qualified, professionally trained, dedicated, skilled, and committed teachers with leadership qualities to serve on national and international forums. The Department of Education has designed and developed its curriculum to meet the challenges of future requirements in the field of quality education & research and to fill the gap between required and present demands of skilled motivated and professionally trained educationists. The department has established a strong research tradition through projects and research publications of its faculty in renowned national and international journals. It will strive to produce, competent, confident, and skilled professionals who are and will serve humanity in the field of education with pride, devotion, and professional ethical standards. For the purpose the department is offering courses like Philosophy of Education, Human Ringhts Education, and Inclusive Education. The teachers teaching these courses take their students to different schools/organizations with the purpose to provide first hand knowledge about the problems or miseries of the people with the objective of creating empthy in students about the people suffering in the thinks and thinks of their lives.

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

Few of the the outreach activities arranged by the department of Education, Sindh Madressatul Islam University, Karachi are as follow:



The students visited prison and taught basic local/official language to the female prisoners



The students visited prison and taught basic local/official language to the male prisoners

ONE-DAY WORKSHOP

A one-day workshop was organized for the students of B.Ed. with the purpose of introducing an inclusive language culture among prospective teachers in Pakistan. This marks the first time that any university in Pakistan has taken such an initiative. This workshop was conducted by a visual impaired trainer and a professional teacher. Students worked on world's first mini braille quote and quotable book.



Hands-on Workshop on Braille

WORKSHOP ON HUMAN RIGHTS

The other activities like, workshop on Human Rights and Right to vote etc were also arranged for the college students. The students also visit somehow regularly the old homes and homes of disable people.

LIFELONG LEARNING ACCESS POLICY-2020

The department of Education, Sindh Madressatul Islam University, Karachi is engaging to provide such experiences to the students which could make them to take self-intiatives for their personal growth. For the purpose in 2020 after COVID-19 the department has designed a policy for all with any kind of discrimination. This policy ensures that all educational activities and opportunities are accessible to individuals, irrespective of their ethnicity, religion, disability, immigration status, or gender. It aims to create an inclusive and equitable learning environment, where everyone has the opportunity to engage in lifelong learning and personal development." The aims and objectives of the policy are as under:

Goals

The aim of the Lifelong Learning Access Policy is to promote inclusivity and equal access to educational opportunities for individuals from diverse backgrounds, irrespective of their ethnicity, religion, disability, immigration status, or gender. This policy seeks to foster a learning environment that encourages lifelong learning and personal development for all.

Objectives

- 1. Ensure that individuals from all ethnic, religious, and gender backgrounds, as well as those with disabilities or varying immigration statuses, have equal access to educational programs and resources.
- 2. Promote an inclusive learning environment that celebrates diversity and accommodates the unique needs of learners, creating a sense of belonging and respect for all.
- 3. Identify and eliminate barriers that may hinder access to lifelong learning, including financial, physical, and cultural obstacles.
- 4. Conduct awareness campaigns and training programs to sensitize educational institutions and communities about the importance of diversity and the value of accessible education.
- 5. Foster partnerships and collaboration with local communities, institutions, and organizations to promote lifelong learning and equal access for all members of society.
- 6. Establish mechanisms for monitoring and enforcing compliance with the policy's principles and objectives, ensuring that all individuals can benefit from lifelong learning opportunities.
- 7. Regularly assess the policy's effectiveness and make necessary improvements to ensure continued progress in achieving its objectives.

Revised in 2023

Change is a necessity for personal growth and progress, further more everyone appreciate change. Change is a fundamental and inevitable aspect of life. It represents the constant evolution and adaptation that we experience individually and collectively. Change can be a source of growth, progress, and new opportunities. It allows us to learn, develop resilience, and confront challenges. Keeping in view the human nature and the last section of the policy, the policy developmed in the year 2020 was revised in the year 2023.

In the revision process few more points were added. Which are as under:

- 1. Promote tolerance, respect, and understanding among learners to create a harmonious and inclusive learning community.
- 2. Develop flexible learning models and technologies to accommodate different learning styles and preferences, making education accessible to a wider audience.
- 3. Encourage community engagement and involvement in educational institutions, fostering a sense of ownership and collective responsibility for equitable access to lifelong learning.
- 4. Raise public awareness about the Lifelong Learning Access Policy and its objectives, ensuring that the broader community supports and contributes to its success.

PUBLIC EVENTS (LIFELONG LEARNING)

(Open to general Public)

Since its establishment all departments and students societies of the SMI university, Karachi PAKISTAN are arranging events i.e. Guest Lectures & Guest Speaker Series, Open Housees, academic conferences, art exhibitions, cultural festivals, sports competitions, career fairs, community outreach programs, film screening, charity & volunteering events, technology showcase, and environmental initiatives, which are expected to have lifelong impact of the lives of the attendees.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING EVENTS YEAR:2022

In the present era of rapidly advancing technology, vocational training has assumed a pivotal role in bridging the gap between traditional education and the demands of a dynamic job market. As technology evolves at an unprecedented pace, the workforce is confronted with new challenges and opportunities. Vocational training offers a practical and efficient means of equipping individuals with the skills and competencies required in a tech-driven world. Keeping in view the importance of vocational training the departments at smi university are contineously arrange events like, information technology/ICT (as a course), graphic designer & multimedia, early childhood education (as a course), empowering entrepreneurship, and environmental sustainability etc.