

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN SOCIALWORK PRACTICE

Learner Objectives :

1. Understanding the process of self-awareness and relevance of self-awareness for personal and professional development.
2. Develop practice based skills and positive life skills for competence in personal life and professional practice.
3. Understand and uphold professional values and ethics.

1. Self and Self Awareness

- i. Significance of understanding self
- ii. Meaning of self : self concept, self esteem, self image and self acceptance
- iii. Self as "being" and "becoming"
- iv. Factors affecting self : attitudes and values
- v. Understanding one's own emotions and self defeating behaviour.
- vi. Reactions of self to various life situations :-Achievements, frustration, failures, crisis.

2. Techniques of understanding self : (Intra and interpersonal)

- i. Transactional Analysis
- ii. SWOT analysis
- iii. Jo-Hari window
- iv. Mirror reflection techniques
- v. Six thinking Hats techniques

3. Self Development

- i. Concept and need for self development.
- ii. Difference in real self and ideal self.
- iii. Setting goals for self development.
- iv. Achievement orientation and striving behaviour.
- v. Use of yoga, meditation for self development

4. Communication for effective functioning

- I Concept, definition and principles of communication
- II Elements of communication
- III Types of communication
- IV Blocks and distortions in communication
- V Developing skills for effective interpersonal relationships: Listening, observation, use of appropriate language, facilitation, responding
- VI Written communication skills: formal writing and creative writing
- VII. Public speaking: planning, preparation, presentation

5. Development of Professional Self

- i. Concept of professional personality
- ii. Professional values and value conflict
- iii. Professional ethics and ethical dilemmas

6. Attributes of Professional Personality

- i. Qualities & traits
- ii. Values and attitudes
- iii. Creativity
- iv. Habits
- v. Skills

7. Stress and Burnout in Professional Practice

- I Causes and impact of stress
- II Stress management
- III. Causes and impact of burnout
- IV. Prevention of and coping with burnout

8. Professional Integrity, Competence and Internalization of professional values. Honesty, Professional knowledge, Lifelong Learning, Critical thinking, Ethical decision making, Self -Understanding, Acceptance of self and others, Self control,

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