Introduction to Humanities

IC/100 Credits 3

UNIT 1 EDUCATION - Educational Psychology and Development

- Meaning of education and psychology; concept of educational psychology
- Implications of educational psychology in teaching and learning
- Meaning and principles of growth and development
- Meaning of individual difference; implications of individual difference for teachinglearning process

UNIT 2 PHILOSOPHY - Introduction

- Meaning of philosophy (Indian and Western)
- Branches and methods of philosophy
- Philosophy and science
- Philosophy and religion

UNIT 3 PSYCHOLOGY - Introduction and Positive Psychology

- Definition, Goals and Fields of Psychology
- Modern perspectives of psychology (biological, psychodynamic, behaviourist, gestalt, cognitive, cross cultural, humanistic and evolutionary)
- Meaning, definition, assumptions and goals of positive psychology
- Happiness and well-being; positive emotions (hope, optimism, gratitude and well-being)

Suggested Readings

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- 11. Carr, A. (2004). Positive Psychology: The Science of Happiness and Human Strength. UK: Routledge
- 12. David, S.A., Boniwell, I. & Ayers, A.C (2013). The Oxford Handbook of Happiness, Oxford University Press.
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