

Webinar

Topic: Pedagogy of Experiential Learning

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Webinars are organized and conducted for the general audience to gain insight and information that would remain effective in their life. Taking this into consideration and keeping in mind the interest of educators, an online webinar was conducted on 26th May, 2021. It was chaired by **Dr. Rakhee Chauhan, Assistant Professor Kalindi College, University of Delhi** and the topic for the same was **Pedagogy of Experiential Learning.**

The National Education Policy 2020 calls for a shift towards **Experiential and Competency based learning approach** to ensure proficiency in learning by students for dealing with real life situations. It emphasis the integration of sports and arts in teaching of core subjects to make it multidisciplinary, more joyful and designing of assessment tools to acquire learning outcomes and reduce rote learning.

Keeping all these points in mind, Dr. Rakhee Chauhan explained the difference between **rote learning and experiential learning**. Further she explained that Experiential Learning is the process of "Learning by Doing". By engaging students in hands-on experiences and reflection, they are better able to connect theories and knowledge learned in the classroom to *real-world* situations. It

allows the learners to explore, to form a direct relationship with the subject matter. When students participate in experiential education opportunities, they gain:

- Deeper and faster understanding of the content.
- Increases engagement and participation.
- Real world and real experiences.
- Various skills like team work, leadership, team building, critical thinking, problem solving etc.

She even laid stress on 'out of the classroom/ field studies' as these trips enhance the curriculum, it is a unique opportunity for learning, it bridges the gap between theory and practice, it can be memorized for life long as students can think critically and creatively.

As our country fights the pandemic, educationists world over have realized that education has to take many leaps forward for a world where children are emotionally and physically resilient to face the challenges of a different world to come. Therefore, during pandemic situation opting for Experiential Learning is advantageous as examinations are more activity based and it has unconventional learning methods that focus on innovation and learning new concepts.

It was indeed an informative webinar and was appreciated by all.

In the end vote of thanks was given by Mrs Isha Singh, the Activity Incharge.

