ANCCI UNIVERSITY TD 101 INTRODUCTION TO DEVELOPMENT ISSUES

INSTRUCTOR:

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RATIONALE

Development studies deal with changes in how society works and the way in which these changes support or obstruct the greater realization of human potential. It concentrates mainly on issues that are particularly relevant to the economically less developed countries and emphasis on how economic, environmental, social and political processes interact. This course is designed mainly to make students more aware of the local, national and international issues that affect development so that they will take a more informed and positive role in shaping the societies in which they live.

OBJECTIVES

- 1. Enable the student to understand and analyze development both as a concept and practice within the socioeconomic, political and resource context of a given society.
- 2. Enable student understand development terminology, and make aware of global issues.
- 3. Develop students understanding of interrelations on social, economic, political and environmental systems.
- 4. Develop student's ability to study and assess different development strategies and experiences critically.
- 5. Enable students to develop an understanding of the interrelationship of development at local, national, regional, and international levels.
- 6. Enable students to understand development issues so that they can work towards ending poverty, exploitation and environmental destruction.
- 7. Enable students develop self-awareness and their understanding of attitudes values and beliefs of others, and encourage them to have respect for human rights.

STRATEGIES

Topics to be covered are; -

- Concepts and General definitions of terms in Development.
- Development Theories.
- Community Development.
- Resource Mobilization.
- Participatory approaches in Development.
- Capacity building in Development.
- Advocacy and Networking in Development.
- Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise for Development.
- Historical approaches and M.DGs for Development.
- Gender studies and Development.
- Agribusiness for Development.

EVALUATION

- 1. Write a 10-15-page double spaced term paper on EITHER, the importance of the millennium development goals, citing your own country for case study the extent to which they were achieved, challenges and hindrances,
- 2. OR on Dependency theories of development, how it applies in your own country affecting development progress negatively or effecting it positively. Discuss any development theory that you would recommend to enhance **development progress in your country.**

TEXT BOOK

Bryant Myers. Working with the Poor (available at amazon.com)

RECOMMENDED

- 1. Kothari, U.(ed), A Radical History of Development studies, individual, institutions and Ideologies, 2003
- 2. Abbott, Lewis F., Theories of industrial modernization and enterprise development (2003)
- 3. Breuer, Martin "Development", university Bielefeld- center for Inter American studies (2015)
- 4. Frik De Beer, Hennie Swanepoel, community development, oxford university press (2000)
- 5. Handelman, Howard, the challenges of third world development, Pearson prentice (2009)