

ANCCI UNIVERSITY
THEOLOGY AND DEVELOPMENT
TD 202 CROSS CULTURAL TRANSFORMATION

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RATIONALE

Cross cultural transformation is a very important course in theology and development studies. It is one of the key areas of studies in order to be effective and efficient in undertaking both mission and development work across all cultural contexts. It is the sole course that informs a missionary or a development agent the need to consider cultural values, beliefs and norms without which development and mission efforts could be futile. It is important to know that people always engage in what they believe in no matter how beneficial or transforming it could be.

OBJECTIVES

1. Enable the student to define culture.
2. Enable student to understand the universal elements of culture.
3. Enable the students to understand the role of culture in development
4. Enable students to understand the role of culture in mission work
5. Enable the students to relate the importance of cultural considerations at the commencements of mission and development work.

STRATEGIES

Topics to be covered are;-

- Introduction.
- Multi dimensional definition of poverty.
- Causes of poverty.
- Poverty indicators
- Social poverty.
- Physical/ economic poverty
- Spiritual poverty.
- Political poverty.
- Poverty alleviation measures

EVALUATION

1. Write a 10-15 page double spaced term paper on, EITHER, With a case study of a community you know, discuss the multi dimensions of poverty, citing their dimensional case and the appropriate measure of address.
2. OR, Most countries in the third world are characterized by poverty, discuss poverty indicators in the third world countries, different forms of manifestation, and measures for redress.

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