St. Xavier's Institute of Education (Autonomous)

Workshop on Community Interventions

An IQAC Initiative – Community Engagement Program

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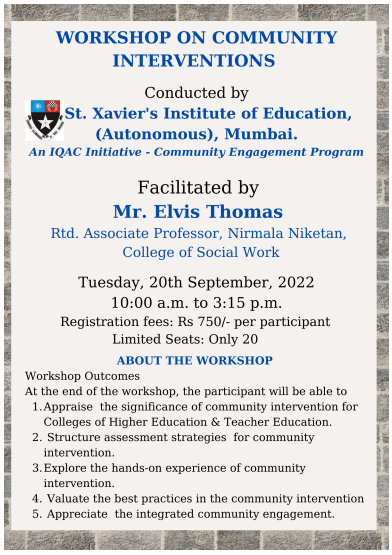
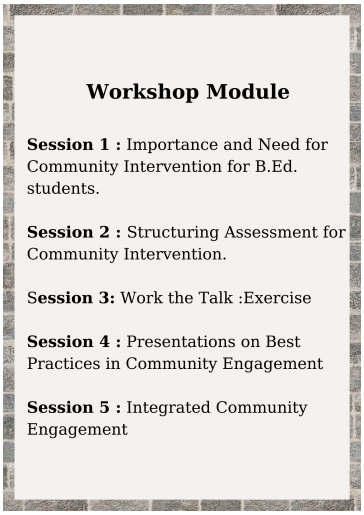
FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 3:15 P.M.

Introduction

St Xavier's Institute of Education (SXIE) follow the mission of building a just and humane community. The Institute is constantly endeavouring for sensitisation of students and faculty towards individual and institutional responsibility for the community. Even the syllabus of the existing University of Mumbai of community engagement has been augmented with community enrichment program before actual community work and extent to reflection post community work.

This year the theme for the Institute is instilled as ***Holistic Education for valuing Diversity***, and SXIE aims to extent the Community work as more comprehensive and composite work comprising all the four semesters. Moreover, this year community work is finalised to be the best practice of the Institute and the aim is to fortify it further for the student teachers' involvement in the community work. With these goals the Workshop for community interventions was arranged.





OBJECTIVES OF THE WORKSHOP

1. To develop the understanding into the community interventions and assessment amongst the faculty members.
2. To develop the skill of planning community interventions in a formalised manner.
3. To develop the skill of structured assessment in the field of community work.
4. To apply the knowledge and skill for fortifying the community work.

OUTCOMES OF THE WORKSHOP

At the end of the workshop the participant will be able to :-

1. Appraise the significance of community intervention for Colleges of Higher Education & Teacher Education.
2. Structure assessment strategies for community intervention.

3. Explore the hands-on experience of community intervention.
4. Valuate the best practices in the community intervention
5. Appreciate the integrated community engagement.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE WORKSHOP

The workshop was conducted on 20th September 2022, in the conference room, 4th floor of SXIE. The 18 registered participants were from different institutes of higher and teacher education attended the workshop. Fr. Blaise, Manager, also attended the workshop for the post-lunch session.

The Schedule of the program was followed so as to complete the modules that were planned in the planning meeting. The main modules that were completed were input on the significance of the community interventions, insights into the structured assessment, group discussion and presentation of the implementation, sharing of the best practices and lastly summarization of integration of the community engagement.

Input and group work

The session on the significance of community interventions by Mr. Elvis was a stimulant of discussions and sharing. The group cleared their doubts with the resource person. Mr. Elvis gave an insight meaningfully into the significance of the community settings and the interventions.

The highlight of the workshop was the collaborative hands-on experience in small groups, based on the inputs given by the resource person. The inter-disciplinary group enriched the discussions as plural perspectives were heard. The collaborative sharing helped each one to take away something pertinent and practical. There was intense peer-learning which made the workshop beneficial.

Best Practice in Community work- Sharing

Post lunch was another interesting and stimulating segment. Each member representing their institution presented their best practice of the community work. This again was a learning and an insightful experience. The best practices of different colleges were motivating and also updated the knowledge and skills required for conducting community work.

Integrated Community Engagement

The last segment was that of a session by Mr. Elvis about the strategies and skills for integrated community engagement which can connect classroom learning, syllabus covered to a wider social context. The procedural and situational knowledge was well stated, and doubts were clarified lucidly by the facilitator.

The workshop concluded with vote of thanks. The feedback link was sent to the participants, and e-certificates would be sent to their email address.

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FRANCOIS MERCER
has participated /participated and presented a paper in the workshop held on 20th September, 2022 at St.Xavier's Institute of Education.
The title of the paper presented
Prof. Dr. Geeta Shetty, Principal In-Charge
Prof. Dr. Vini Sebastian & Ms. Kalpana Chavan, Faculty Coordinators

The feedback analysis reflects that the workshop reflects that the workshop was appreciated by the participants and was much beneficial. The suggestions for a longer duration and more practical examples will be kept in mind for future such community engagement workshops.

The detailed feedback link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1z9MQyNM7SrIMToKBEYzM1VB3N6rrjjcsvmz9mYwLq5w/viewanalytics

Resource shared by the resource person - The Role of the Community in Teacher Preparation: Exploring a Different Pathway to Becoming a Teacher – a research based paper was also shared by the research person.

By Gary Harfitt

Faculty of Education, University of Hong Kong, Pokfulam, Hong Kong

The Institute appreciates the active involvement of participants from different disciplines like social work, mathematics, teacher education, home science, degree college of arts, science and commerce, thus enhancing the deliberations to multi-disciplinary level.

Report compiled by

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