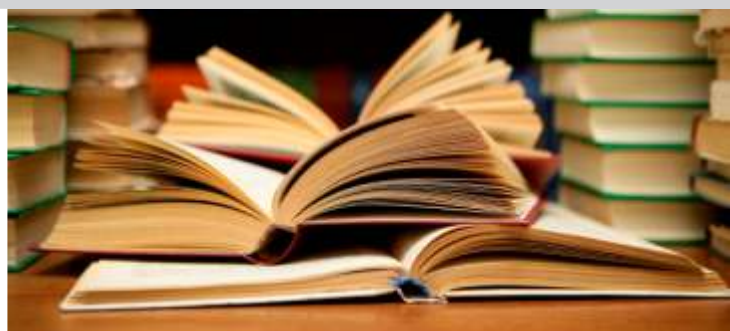


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Communication in Education -The Functional Skills for Teachers

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The popular saying that no nation can develop beyond the capacity of its teachers is apt since no education system can rise beyond the quality of its teachers. One of the problems militating against the attainment of the required effective and functional standards in the Nigerian education sector is teacher incompetence. Within this constraint, it is possible to understand how teacher communication competence, behaviors and strategies can enhance student learning and mitigate the critical problem.

Because teachers are indispensable within the teaching – learning process, they constitute a major input in the accomplishment of educational goals and objectives in Nigeria. Effective teacher communication can be learned, and this is where the School of Media and Communication, Pan-Atlantic University, has come in to lend its expertise to ensure the upscaling of skills in this very critical area in order to bring about the application of modern communication theories, techniques and technology in the teaching environment.

Much of the learning process is itself a function of communication, whereby communication is understood as a two-way interactive process. Communication constitutes over 70% of the input in the teaching-learning engagement.

The programme will help improve student readiness to learn and the consequent good performance at various examinations

Successful communication between the teacher and students is a necessary condition for academic achievement which should translate to national development and nation building. Communication is the fundamental skill necessary for teachers to achieve the goal of imparting knowledge in the classroom.

Communication in Education programme is meant for primary and secondary school teachers and has been designed to equip Nigerian teachers in this category with the right “teaching communication skills” required to achieve the right results in the classroom. The programme will help improve student readiness to learn and the consequent good performance at various examinations. Through carefully selected modules which address critical deficiencies in teaching effectiveness, the programme will assist teachers to deliver impactful lessons in the classroom for better results.

Course Objectives

The general objective of the program is to inculcate in primary and secondary school teachers, the basic theories and skills of communication.

Specifically they will be able to:

1. Understand the role of communication in the enhancement of teaching and learning within and outside the school environment
2. Understand communication barriers in teaching and learning environment
3. Understand the skills needed to communicate non-verbally with their students
4. Understand and utilize good speaking skills in different situations, tasks, actions and results
5. Acquire good listening skills
6. Learn how to ask probing questions
7. Master the art of mentoring students
8. Understand the qualities a good teacher must have

Expected Outcomes

By the end of the programme the teachers will:

1. Use communication to enhance teaching and learning within and outside the school environment
2. Learn how to minimize communication barriers in teaching and learning process
3. Acquire the skills needed to communicate non-verbally during teaching and learning process.
4. Be able use different skills learnt in different situations, tasks, actions and results
5. Use the skills learnt in the programme to be good listeners
6. Use questions to evaluate their students' understanding of tasks and subject matter
7. Use the communication skills learnt to mentor their students to have cognitive affective and psychomotor ability.
8. Appreciate the qualities of a good teacher.

Modules

- a) Overview of Communication in Education
- b) Understanding Communication Barriers - Listening Skills
- c) Non-Verbal/Para-verbal Communication in teaching





About the School of Media and Communication (SMC)

The School of Media and Communication (SMC) was set up in 2006 by the Pan-Atlantic University Governing Council in recognition of the critical role of the media in shaping societal values and cultural life.

This strategic decision was made following an aspiration to train professionals in this area of culture who would uphold the highest intellectual, ethical and professional values that promote creativity, critical knowledge, technical perfection, communicative competence, social responsibility and the spirit of enterprise

The vision of SMC is “to be recognized internationally as a prestigious institution offering high quality education in communication and media, to be a reference point for research in Africa and a leading focus of human values”.

Her mission is the “formation of media and communication professionals to enable them pursue their calling of the service to human culture with a sense of creativity, skill, knowledge and values.”

The School of Media and Communication is a specialist School of the Pan-Atlantic University, with pedigree in media and communication engaged in training up to the PhD level. Our passion for quality and applied learning remain unmatched in our immediate environment.

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OUR SCHOOL

The University pursues the following objectives through all its schools:

- To encourage the advancement of learning and research
- To create a learning environment for purposes of impacting positively on the society
- To nurture individuals who are professionally competent, creative and enterprising, zealous for the common good and able to make free and morally upright decisions and who thus act as positive agents of change in service to society.

Through the Professional Education Department, SMC seeks to:

- Re-skill competencies of existing and aspiring professionals in media and communication.
- Raise standards for the creative industry
- Enhance the utility values of all those who pass through her



Our Location, Capacity and Other Resources:

The School of Media and Communication is located within the main campus of the Pan-Atlantic University, Km 52 Lekki-Epe Expressway, Ibeju Lekki, Lagos. Learning is conducted in conducive classrooms, equipped with multimedia and internet facilities, which enable students and faculty to access library and other learning resources world-wide.

Our Library has in addition to hard copy materials, an almost limitless collection of electronic books, periodicals and reports through EBSCO.

The School is equipped with a 33-seater computer laboratory, fully equipped with smart electronic board and internet access and a variety of software and multimedia facilities available for students' use.

With adequate servers, proxies and backups, running on the most user-friendly software, our IT network service is efficient and reliable.





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