

# **Global Citizenship Education (GCE)**

## **JAIN VISHVA BAHRTI INSTITUTE LADNUN**

### **Introduction:**

Global Citizenship Education (GCE) is a crucial aspect of education in the modern world, aiming to cultivate responsible and informed global citizens. The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 in India emphasizes the integration of GCE across all levels of education, including higher education in universities

### **Significance of GCE in Jain Vishva Bharati Institute (Deemed University) with Oriental Programs:**

Jain Vishva Bharti Institute (JVBI), a Prestigious Deemed University located in a remote location in Rajasthan is offering a diverse range of oriental programs such as Sanskrit, Prakrit, and Jainology, Yoga and Meditation, Peace and Nonviolence as well as B.A. B.Ed., B.Sc. B.Ed. B.A. B.Ed., M.Ed and Ph.D., holds a unique position to promote GCE. The inclusion of GCE aligns with the NEP 2020's vision of fostering a holistic and inclusive education system and preparing students to be responsible and active global citizens.

### **Important Components of GCE at JVBI**

#### **Cultural Understanding:**

GCE promotes an understanding of diverse cultures, including the rich heritage of Sanskrit, Prakrit, and Jainology, fostering cultural empathy and inclusivity contributing to cultural literacy and appreciation.

#### **Global Issues Engagement:**

Students learn about global issues and Challenges such as climate change, human rights, social justice and sustainable development, conflict studies and management, Environmental studies etc., aligning with Jain Principle of non-violence (Ahimsa) and compassion (Karuna), connecting these topics with their academic pursuits.

#### **Ethical and Theosophical Leadership:**

GCE encourages ethical decision-making and active participation in addressing local and global challenges, reflecting the values of compassion and social responsibility inherent in oriental philosophies.

GEC nurtures ethical and theosophical leadership qualities, critical thinking, empathy, and inter cultural communication skill, preparing students to contribute positively to local and global communities for ethical and theosophical teachings and sermons by sadhus and sadhvis of Jain Vishva Bharati, at various palaces.

### **Interdisciplinary Learning:**

Integrating GCE with oriental and contemporary programs fosters interdisciplinary perspectives, holistic understanding, and interconnectedness of global issues, enhancing academic depth and relevance in contemporary situation along with students to explore connections between different fields of studies

including subjects like Alternative Therapies, Non-violence and Peace, Yoga and Meditation, Comparative studies of Religion and Philosophy are motivating interdisciplinary learning sphere.

### **Community Engagement:**

Students at JVBI participate in various community services, Social initiatives, and International exchange programme, fostering a sense of global responsibilities and citizenship beyond academic boundaries in a global perspective.

JVBI takes various Social work initiatives like adoption of villages, blood donation camps, community services like cleaning of various palaces in nearby villages helping to eradicate various communicable diseases. Ayurvedic treatment in Acharaya Mahaprajna Naturopathy Medical College and Hospital providing various types of Therapies like Sona Bath, Colon hydrotherapy, Underwater Massage, Jacuzzi Therapy, Mud Therapy, Tasti Therapy, Acupuncture Therapy with the help of machines like Suction machine, Deluxe Hydrotherapy, Sirodhara, Therapeutic Caebus.

### **Technology and Innovation**

Leveraging technology for global collaborations diverse fields, virtual learning exchanges, digital advocacy, and innovation projects, that address global challenges and promote sustainable solution.

Teaching learning ambience with technology friendly classrooms digitalization documentation, robust ERP system leading to technological advancements and innovations.

### **Implementation Strategies:**

#### **Curricular Integration:**

Embedding GCE themes and activities into existing courses, curriculum of oriental and contemporary programs, ensuring alignment with academic goals and learning outcomes,

coherence with the university's academic offerings along with industry academia interaction for better outcome.

### **Experiential Learning:**

Engaging students in experiential projects, study abroad programs, internships, simulations, service- learning projects that expose students to diverse cultures and real world global issues, industry university linkage, community service initiatives to develop practical global citizenship skills.

### **Technology-Enhanced Learning:**

Leveraging digital platforms and virtual collaborations to connect students with global perspectives, experts, and resources.

### **Faculty Development:**

Providing training and support to faculty members for designing and delivering GCE-focused pedagogy, assessments, and learning experiences.

Providing professional development workshops, seminars, national and international conferences, FDP and resources for faculty to integrate GCE pedagogy, facilitate discussions, and assess student learning in GCE- related topics.

### **Student Support Services:**

Establishing support system for students, including counselling, mentorship, career guidance, and opportunities for global networking, fostering personal growth and global citizenship competencies. grievance and ranges, student support helping.

### **Global Partnership:**

Forming strategic partnership with international universities, NGOs, and organizations for joint research, cultural exchanges, collaborative projects, and advocacy efforts related to GCE.

## **Benefits of GCE Implementation at JVBI:**

### **Holistic Education:**

GCE enhances the holistic development of students by cultivating global perspectives, ethical values, leadership skills, and cross cultural competencies.

### **Enhanced Employability:**

GCE equips students with intercultural communication, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills valued by employers in diverse professional fields.

**Global Networking:**

Opportunities for international collaborations, research partnerships, and cultural exchanges enrich the university's academic environment and reputation.

**Global Impact:**

Graduates equipped with GCE competencies contribute positively to global challenges, promote peace building development, and social justice initiatives worldwide. We are spreading ethic & value of Indian culture & Heritage.

**Social Impact:**

GCE empowers students to become advocates for positive change, contributing to sustainable development, social justice, and global peace initiatives.

**Conclusion:**

Integrating Global Citizenship Education into the curriculum of a deemed university with oriental programs is not only aligned with the NEP 2020's vision but also enhances the educational experience by nurturing well-rounded, empathetic, and globally aware individuals poised to make meaningful contributions to society.