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CHILD DEVELOPMENT
SYLLABUS (P.G STANDARD)

UnitI Introduction to growth and Development - Scope of child development - Meaning and Importance of different stages of growth and Development - Heredity and Environment – Salient features of different stages in life - Factors influencing Growth and Development - principles of child development.

UnitII Prenatal Development - Pregnancy – Signs and Symptoms - Prenatal development- Factors influencing prenatal development – Diet during Pregnancy - Preparation for parenthood.

UnitIII Infancy - Characteristics of Infancy – Care of new-born infant – Child rearing practices Development of infancy – Developmental Tasks – Sensory Development, Language Development, Physical and Motor Development and Cognitive growth – Concept Development.

UnitIV Childhood Stage - Characteristics and Developmental tasks of Early Childhood – Physical, Emotional and Language Development – Socialization – Habits and Habit formation - Behavior problems – Needs of children – Hazards during Childhood – Play.

UnitV Adolescence – Characteristics – Primary and Secondary Sex Characteristics - Physical, Emotional, Social and Cognitive Development – Identity Development – Disciplinary Techniques - Crisis – Relationship with Parents and others – Problems of Youth – Reproductive Health Care.

UnitVI Theories of Child Behavior – Language Theories – Emotional Theories – Learning Theories – Intellectual Theories – Psycho-Social Theories – Personality Theories – Moral Theories - Implications of Theories.

UnitVII Early Childhood Education - Importance and Significance of Early Childhood Education – Need for Preschool Education - Problems of Early Childhood Education - Organizational and Administrative Setup - Curriculum and Programs – Pre-school Staffs and other Personnel - Records and Registers.

UnitVIII Child Welfare Programmes –Social evils – Children in difficult situations – Child Abuse Street Children, Child Labour – National and International Child Welfare Programmes - Government and Non-Governmental Programmes – Mobile Health care – Adoption – Foster care – Institutional Care – Children Act – Child Rights.

Unit IX Counseling and Physical & Mental Health – The Counselor , their qualities, role and skills - Areas of Guidance and Counseling – Personal, Marriage, Family, Child, Educational, Vocational and Career Guidance – Child Guidance Clinics - Counseling in Disaster Management - Mental Health Service – Health and Nutrition – Immunization – Childhood illness.

Unit X Children with Special Needs – Definition, Classifications and Educational Approaches of Mentally challenged, Learning Disabilities, Emotionally Disturbed, Visually Impaired Hearing Impaired and Physically Handicapped - Giftedness.

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