

TRANSITIONING YOUNG ADULTS TO COLLEGE – STRATEGIES AND CHALLENGES

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The broader challenges and dream of the young adult is the smooth transformation from school based class room confined and controlled learning to skill based, technical and practical learning in college. However, in reality the younger adult is expected to perform higher to enhance their capacity and competence to match with the “knowledge society”. The expectation of ‘knowledge society’ is immense on young adult to have ‘performance pressure’.

The need of the hour is the “awareness and orientation” approach to the teachers with a focus on dissemination of information to an entirely dispersed group of students with every individual’s students to connect to the college system through effective “counseling and referral system”. This seminar will focus on the challenges, difficulties and issues of fresh transitioning young college students and the strategies to tackle.

“Transitioning Young Adults to College – Strategies and Challenges” was discussed in the UGC sponsored One Day National Workshop at Dept. of Sociology, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli. It was attended by 150 participants comprising of research scholars and students. These participants came from university and affiliated colleges.

Mr. G. Senthilkumar, Chairmen, Helikx Open School and Learning, Salem delivered a lecture on “Strategies to meet competing demands of modern Curriculum”. Dr.S. Radhakrishnana, Director, Skills Training Centre (SKITRAC), Coimbatore spoke on “Personal and Psychological Challenges in Transition process of Yong adults”.

In this workshop welcome address was given by Dr. M. Thavamani, Professor and Head, Dept. of Sociology, Bharthidasan University. He explained the goal of this workshop.

In the Presidential Address Dr.E. Ramaganesh, Registrar, Bharathidasan University, Trichy highlighted about the role of youth is very necessary today for evolving successful in all activities.

Finally Dr..S. Sampathkumar, Organizing secretary, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Sociology, Bharathidasan University, Trichy proposed vote of thanks.

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