



MAHATMA GANDHI INSTITUTE

Student Charter

“Satisfaction lies in the effort, not in the attainment. Full effort is full victory.”

Gandhi

1. Introduction

The Mahatma Gandhi Institute was established in 1970, as a centre of studies of Indian culture and traditions and to promote education and culture generally.

2. MGI Vision

To be a leading, multifaceted and cultural institution offering full range quality and holistic education both at secondary and tertiary levels with special emphasis in Indian Culture and Arts, and committed to becoming a full-fledged degree awarding body.

3. MGI Mission Statement

- To continue to provide a sound academic and cultural base for the preservation and promotion of Indian cultural traditions and heritage.
- To continue to strengthen the administrative and academic capacity to enhance teaching, learning and research at tertiary level in the fields of Indian Studies, Mauritian and Area Studies, Chinese Studies, Performing Arts and Fine Arts.
- To provide world class education at secondary level.
- To continue to instill principles and values for character building and good citizenship based on Gandhian philosophy.
- To ensure good governance and quality education at all levels.

4. Quality Assurance

The MGI, which is an institution providing higher education, plays a vital role in the educational landscape of Mauritius. It plays an important role keeping in view quality assurance.

All stakeholders have a unique role to play in ensuring quality education at the MGI. The students are made aware of the fact that they have the right for quality education and it is the responsibility of the MGI to provide quality educational experience to learners. Students should equally be aware of their responsibilities which, in turn, will help the institution to provide quality education. This means that the students should demand quality education and demonstrate their commitment to quality education by accepting their responsibilities. Otherwise the MGI may not have sufficient motivation for quality enhancement.

The Mahatma Gandhi Institute (MGI) has developed a student charter for Tertiary Education. It is hoped that the charter will help Schools and Departments to articulate their obligations to learners in clear terms and that it will be used as a benchmark for the School's or Department's accountability to learners.

5. Student Charter

5(a) MGI's responsibilities towards students

The MGI shall

- communicate its goals and objectives clearly to all students.
- offer programmes that are consistent with its goals and objectives.
- obtain feedback from students on the initiation, review and redesign of programmes.
- facilitate effective running of the teaching-learning programmes.
- monitor student progress continuously.
- ensure that the student assessment mechanism is reliable and valid.
- provide clear information to students about admission and completion requirements for all programmes, the fee structure and refund policies, financial aid and student support services.

- ensure sufficient and well-run support services to all students.
- provide a learning, working and social environment in which the rights and dignity of all stakeholders are respected, and which is free from discrimination, prejudice, intimidation and all forms of harassment and bullying.

5(b) Student's responsibilities

The student shall

- contribute to the realization of the goals and objectives of the MGI by participating in relevant institutional activities.
- have a clear knowledge of the programmes, admission policies, rules and regulations of the institution.
- follow the time schedules and regulations of the institution.
- undertake regular and intense study of learning materials.
- make optimum use of the learning resources and other support services available in the institution.
- prepare for continuous internal assessment and end of the term examinations.
- give feedback for system improvement.
- have faith in and ability to pursue lifelong learning.
- live as worthy alumni of the institution.
- follow all rules and regulations governing students at the MGI and collaborate to promote healthy practices.

6. Action Point

The MGI recommends that the student charter be displayed on the notice board of every school/department as an act of promotion of student participation in Quality Assurance. The MGI also expects every student to be aware of the charter and their responsibilities.