# LEAD CITY UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF ARTS AND EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCE EDUCATION

#### **COURSE PARTICULARS**

Course Code: SSE 214

**Course Title:** Social Issues as Emerging Priorities for Social Studies Education

No of Units: 2

**Status:** Compulsory

**Semester:** 2018/2019 Second Semester

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### Introduction

The world is composed of so many elements which are classified under four heads social, economic, political and physical issues. The social issues are very important to social studies students. Social means relationship of people in a particular society which means human being. Society is dynamic. For example, in the olden days young people prostrate to greet the elderly people, whereas, now are days culture permits anything. Also, there was commonality before but now individuality is the order of the day.

## **Course Description**

The study of people in the society is very important and how this people relate in terms of group, organisation, orderliness, culture, rules, mores (a way of life) language, dressing, kinship, and judiciary. Therefore, in this course the issues that are now necessary and emerging in the society which should be of priority to social studies education will be discussed such as: religion, civilization, Commerce (wealth distribution), abortion, inequality and so on.

#### **Course Objective**

At the end of the lesson, the students should be able to:

- 1. explain related concepts;
- 2. discuss vividly the meaning of group;

- 3. explain the meaning of social groups and type;
- 4. discuss the term social organisation and type; and
- 5. list and explain emerging social issues in the society.

## **Teaching Plan**

- Week 1: Conceptual Clarification
- Week 2: Concept of Groups
- Week 3: Types of Groups
- Week 4: Analysis of Social Groups
- Week 5: Characteristics of Social Groups
- Week 6: Analysis of Social organizations
- Week 7: Classification of Issues
- Week 8: Concept of Social Problems (Issues)
- Week 9: Types of Social Issues
- Week 10: Discussion of some social issues (Crime and the justice system, Media propaganda, Corruption, Drug abuse and Alcohol abuse)
- Week 11: Discussion of some social issues (Sexual abuse: Rape, Early pregnancy, and Female genital mutilation; Prostitution, Abortion)
- Week 12: Discussion of some social issues (Social disorganization, Social inequality, Work and occupations, Economic Deprivation, Unemployment and Poverty)
- Week 13: Discussion of some social issues [school truancy, Education inequality, Advertising junk food to children, public schools, the shortage of schools the lack of infrastructure and other issues (religious intolerance, immigration, political and religious extremism and so on)]
- Week 14: Revision
- Week 15: Examination

#### References

Joel, M. Charon and Lee Garth Vigilant. Social Problems reading with four Questions.

Kunle Ogunbameru and Rotimi Wale. 2006. Man and his social environment. Revised Ed.

#### Assessment

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{Attendance} & = 10\% \\ \text{Class Test} & = 20\% \\ \text{Term Paper} & = 10\% \\ \text{Examination} & = 60\% \\ \textbf{Total} & = \textbf{100\%} \end{array}$ 

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## **Tutorial Question**

1. Explain the following terms:

- a. Education
- b. Social
- c. Society
- d. Social Studies
- e. Family
- 2. a. What do you understand by the concept of Groups?
  - b. Mention and explain the characteristics of a group
- 3. List and explain the types of groups
- 4. What are social groups?
- 5. Mention and explain the characteristics of social groups
- 6. Many people belong to various social structures. Discuss
- 7. Identify and explain type of issues in the society
- 8. What do you understand by social problems (issues)?
- 9. Identify at least 15 social issues in Nigeria
- 10. Mention and explain three issues affecting the youth in the society
- 11. Mention and explain three issues affecting the female counter parts in the society
- 12. Mention and explain three issues on economics of the country
- 13. Mention and explain three issues affecting the educational sector of the country