Course Name: Soft Skills for Managers Course Code: 15HS113

Semester I / year I L-T-P: 2-0-2 Credits: 3

#### **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of this course are

- 1. To equip the students with competencies to manage themselves in organizations with a scientific outlook towards communication.
- 2. To develop career orientation through an understanding of Mock interviews and GDs.
- 3. To develop inter personal and intra personal skills of the students and Presentation skills
- 4. To facilitate an insight into the functioning of individuals and groups

#### **COURSE OUTCOMES**

After completing this course, the student will be able to

- 1. Participate in the campus selection process with special focus on aptitude and GD.
- 2. Prepare himself/herself for the campus Interviews.
- 3 Develop professional behaviour for entry into the professional world.
- 4. Think logically and solve problems in professional life.

## **SYLLABUS**

Verbal and Non-Verbal Communication Skills: Introduction; Listening to customers, team members and managers; listening to electronic media; communication with customers, team members and managers, referencing for verbal communication. Presentation Skills – Stages involved in an effective presentation, selection of topic, content, aids, engaging the audience, Time management, Feedback, Mock Presentations. CV, GD and PI: Introduction; SOP; career objective; educational qualification; projects and assignments; skill set; achievements and interests; Introduction to GD; foundation skills in GD; Mock GD; Introduction to PI; foundation skills in PI; Mock PI; Interpersonal skills: Definition; understanding, analysis and response to the needs, requirements and capabilities of people at different levels. Goal Setting Skills: Introduction; relevance of SWOT on goal setting; setting career goal; action plan and measures to achieve career goal; corporate role models; three to five years career roadmap; competitive work environment and realization of goals; anticipating challenges and utilizing opportunities. Time Management Skills: Planning, Scheduling, Prioritizing; multitasking. Corporate Etiquette: Customer interaction etiquette; office etiquette; meeting etiquette; telephone etiquette; presentation etiquette.

## RECOMMENDED TEXT BOOK

Communicating at Work – Principles and Practices for Business and the Professions by Adler, The McGraw Hill Company, 9<sup>th</sup> Edition

# REFERENCE BOOKS

- 1. Business Communication and Personality Development by Biswajit Das & Ipseeti Satpathy, The Encel Publications, 1<sup>st</sup> Edition
- 2. Managerial Communication Strategies and Applications by Hynes; The McGraw Hill Company, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition
- 3. Effective Business Communication by Murphy; The McGraw Hill Company, 7th Edition
- 4. Winning at Interviews by Edger Thorpe, Showik Thorpe; Pearson Publications, 1<sup>st</sup> Edition
- 5. Professional Communication by Aruna Koneru; The McGraw Hill Company
- 6. Developing Soft Skills by Robert M. Sherfield, Rhonda J., Patricia J. Moodi; Cornerstone Publications.