SRI AKILANDESWARI WOMEN'S COLLEGE, WANDIWASH.

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1.3.1: Institution integrates crosscutting issues relevant to Professional Ethics, Gender, Human Values, Environment and Sustainability in transacting the Curriculum

Sri Akilandeswari Women's College, Wandiwash, affiliated with Thiruvalluvar University, prioritizes the integration of crosscutting issues such as professional ethics, gender sensitivity, human values, environment, and sustainability within its curriculum. This holistic approach is designed to cultivate well-rounded individuals who possess the knowledge and values necessary to positively contribute to society.

Professional Ethics:

Professional ethics form a foundational component of the curriculum, preparing students for ethical decision-making in their professional careers. The college emphasizes integrity, accountability, and ethical behavior through various methods:

- Case Studies: Students analyze real-world scenarios involving ethical dilemmas, fostering discussion and resolution of complex issues.
- Workshops and Seminars: Regular sessions are held on ethical practices across different professions, featuring guest speakers from both industry and academia.
- Code of Conduct: The code of conduct is integrated into relevant courses to ensure students understand the ethical standards expected in their fields.

Gender Sensitivity:

Sri Akilandeswari Women's College is dedicated to promoting gender sensitivity and equality, creating an inclusive environment through various initiatives. The college has implemented the following measures to establish a support system for gender sensitivity:

- **Regular Workshops:** Conducted for students, faculty, and non-teaching staff to raise awareness about gender issues.
- Gender Champion Club: Established to address gender-related issues.
- Women Development Cell: Encourages students to participate in various events and engage in community service.
- **Safe Space:** Promotes a safe and confidential space for students to share their experiences without fear of judgment.
- Scholarship and Financial Aid: Supports eligible students in obtaining scholarships and financial aid to achieve women empowerment.
- **Community Engagement:** Encourages participation in community engagement programs to promote gender equality.
- Counseling Services: Appointed a professional counselor, Dr.Thendararasi, Consultant Psychologist, to provide regular counseling and address gender-related issues.

By implementing these measures, the college has created a supportive and inclusive environment that promotes women empowerment and equality.

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Human Values:

- Human values are integral to the college's ethos, ensuring students develop a strong moral foundation:
- Value Education Courses: Courses focusing on ethics, morality, and essential values for personal and professional life are part of the curriculum. Additionally, relevant certificate courses are offered through the IGNOU Learner Support Centre available at the college.
- Community Engagement: Students are encouraged to participate in community service and outreach programs, instilling values of empathy, compassion, and social responsibility.
- Cultural Programs: Cultural events and activities are organized to highlight the importance of human values, promoting unity and respect among students.

Environment and Sustainability:

The college is committed to environmental stewardship and sustainability, integrating these principles into its curriculum and campus activities:

- Environmental Studies: Mandatory courses on environmental science cover topics such as biodiversity, conservation, climate change, and sustainable development.
- Green Initiatives: Campus-wide initiatives like tree planting drives, waste management programs, and energy conservation practices are implemented. A green audit, environmental audit, and energy audit were conducted during 2021-23 to assess and evaluate the college's green environment.
- Research and Projects: Students are encouraged to engage in research projects focused on environmental issues and sustainability practices.

By integrating professional ethics, gender sensitivity, human values, environmental sustainability into the curriculum, Sri Akilandeswari Women's College ensures that its students are not only academically proficient but also socially responsible and ethically grounded individuals. This comprehensive educational experience prepares them to make a positive impact in the world.

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