

Engaging Workshop on Critical Thinking Skills: Insights from the Interactive Session Held on July 28, 2023

On July 28, 2023, a series of Talk-cum-Workshops was organized for B.Ed. students, with the first session focusing on “Critical Thinking, Rubrics, and Portfolios.” The workshop was led by Dr. Jayanti Datta, Deputy Director (Associate Professor) at UGC-HRD Centre, Panjab University, Chandigarh. Dr. Datta was welcomed by Dr. Agnese Dhillon, Secretary of the College Management, and Dr. Richa Sharma, Officiating Principal.

Dr. Datta guided students through critical thinking concepts by analyzing a movie that depicted social issues such as discrimination, language, and religious conflicts. She demonstrated how rubrics and portfolios play a crucial role in defining learning objectives, enhancing teaching effectiveness, and simplifying the evaluation process for both teachers and students.

In addition, Dr. Datta shared her teaching philosophy, which emphasizes fostering independent thinking in students. She noted, “My idea about teaching is to nurture and support students to think critically, in an open, free, and mutually respectful environment, without creating fear. When I teach my students to think, I set them free to learn by themselves.”

The session concluded with Dr. Datta encouraging students to develop their own teaching philosophies. The workshop proved to be an enriching and insightful experience for all attendees.



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