

Socially Responsible Higher Education in India: Integrating Lifelong Learning for All

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Redefining Missions of Higher Education

- From Teaching to enabling learning
- From Research to Knowledge Production & mobilization
- From Extension to Engaged Partnership

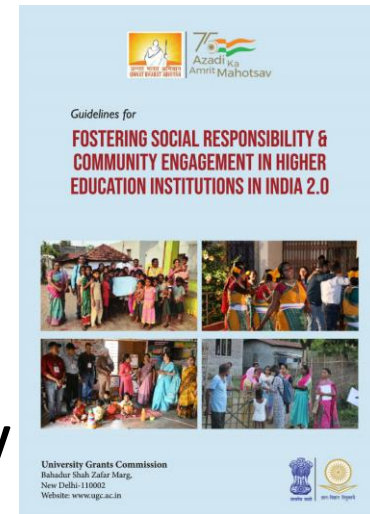


National Education Policy Framework 2020

- Flexible, multi-disciplinary, education
- Socially responsible global citizenship
- Competencies for work, self & society

Guidelines for Fostering Social Responsibility & Community Engagement in Higher Education Institutions in India 2.0

https://www.ugc.gov.in/pdfnews/4187860_Revised-Final-Guidelines.pdf



Global Policy Consensus

- Societal actors & transdisciplinarity

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- Multiple epistemologies

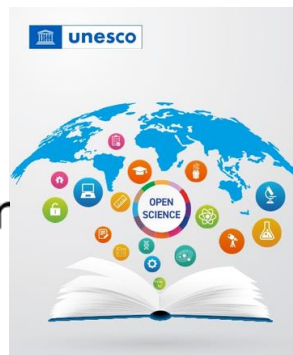
[UNESCO Open Science Recommendations 2021](#)

- Transformative Knowledge for Just & Sustainable Futures

[30th Anniversary Celebrations of the UNITWIN/UNESCO Chairs Programme 2022](#)

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UNESCO Recommendation
on Open Science



Trajectories of Practical Initiatives

- Integrate learning in & with society
- Promote a culture of Life-long learning
- Innovate pathways for inclusion: beyond skilling & professional development



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