



Centre for Language, Translation and Cultural Studies

School of Humanities
NETAJI SUBHAS OPEN UNIVERSITY

E- Brochure for 3-months Online Short-Term Training Programme **Certificate in Communicative English (CICE)**

Course Commencement Date - January, 2026

Course End Date - March, 2026

Sixth cycle

Offline Venue: Serampore Girls College Centre

About NSOU

Netaji Subhas Open University (NSOU), premier State Open University in India, is committed to the mission of imparting quality education to a vast majority of Learners across the State of West Bengal and beyond, started its maiden journey in July, 1998. The priority focus of its pedagogy is on the enhancement of the Learners' knowledge in different disciplines in Open and Distance Modes of Learning (ODL). It was established in fulfilment of the Chief Minister's vision of a State Open University of premier status that he articulated in a State Function way back in 1997, the year of Netaji Subhas Bose's birth centenary, with a desire to hallow it in Netaji's revered name and memory. West Bengal State Assembly's Act-XIX, 1997 was a holistic follow-up to give shape to the then Chief Minister's vision, and NSOU was founded in the house of Sarat Chandra Bose's house in July, 1998. University Grants Commission was prompt enough to recognize NSOU vide Memo No.F.9-2-97, dt.26.08.1998. NSOU came under the ambit of Distance Education Council's recognition in April, 2008 vide its Memo No.F:DEC/ Recog/2008. As a centre of excellence in ODL (Open and Distance Learning) mode, NSOU was awarded the membership of AIU (Association of India Universities), New Delhi 110 002 and subsequently accredited as Grade A in first cycle of NAAC assessment.

About the Centre

The prime objective of CLTCS (Centre for Language, Translation & Cultural Studies) is the dissemination of the knowledge of language as part of cultural studies, as language is a powerful tool of the individual's integration with socioeconomic hierarchy and self-uplift. The introduction of Online Certificate in Communicative English course is a break away from the traditional, long drawn process of learning in close ended syllabi as followed by all variants of



schooling in our country. The open-ended, intensely focused and interactive mode of learning in PCP models (Personal Contact Programme) is now almost a compulsion of the day. In tune with this perception and objective, CLTCS provides a motivational frame to induct a large cross-section of students and give shape to their dreams.

This underscores the fact that a significant number of students in mainstream, conservative academics flounders and is left wayside groveling as abjectly unemployable burden. NSOU, its University Campus and its Study Centres spread-sheeted all-over West Bengal are dedicated to sub serving the needs of an up and-coming generation of Learners. Its outreach now encompasses a wide range of disciplines from short-term Certificate Courses to Bachelor and Postgraduate Programmes, alongside opening up avenues to Research fields. In online CICE course CLTCS's funneled focus is to promote a comprehensive understanding of English used for the purpose of communication. The curriculum is a basic introduction to the language through text and practical application of language forms in real life situations.

About the Course

CICE was introduced as a three months Short-Term course by the Center from the session 2018-2019, at the Kalyani Campus of the University. The course had run for two semesters at the campus. The Center had collaborated with Serampore Girls College to run a parallel CICE course at the college premises during the same academic year. The Online CICE course is in continuation with the of the Short Term Program of the University. Students enrolled in the course will gain a comprehensive understanding of the language through practice. The curriculum provides introduction to the study of language forms and skills.

Features of the Online CICE

- Intensive Tutor-Learner Interface
- Online Learning Materials as Learning Aids
- Interactive sessions with experts

Course Objectives

- To help learners understand the use of language.
- To introduce to the learners purposeful learning experiences.
- To work on vocabulary, grammar, pronunciation and spelling exercises.
- To expose the learners to English in life-like situations outside the classroom.

Mode of Instructions: Online classes will be arranged through Google Meet Platform only.

Course Duration: 12 weeks of instruction + 3 weeks practical's and examinations

Course Structure: 100 marks

Paper 1- Speaking and Listening Skills [12 hrs] + follow up practice

Paper 2- Reading and Writing Skills [22 hrs] + follow up practice

Medium of Instruction: English

Class Hours- Evening slot (Two sessions per week)

Course Fees- INR 500 Exam fees: INR 100

Submission of fees to be made to the competent authority of Serampore Girl's College only. NSOU is not responsible for any collection of fees and refund thereof.



Class Timing – Weekly twice / Evening slot (Online)

Workshop: Offline (one session per week)

Evaluation Method: Evaluation will be based on internal assessment and practical examination to be held on the completion of the course. There will also be a written examination based on the entire course content; weight 20% internal, 80% external. Minimum marks required for pass is 40%.

NSOU Counsellors: Prof. Sathuvelli Mohanraj, Prof Amzad Hossain, Dr Sumana Bandyopadhyay, Anindita Sarkar, Asst Professor of ELT.

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Certificates will be issued on the successful completion of the course in hard copies & e-copies. Participants need to submit all assignment and attend all practical session/ exam as scheduled by the course coordinator.