# Gokaraju Rangaraju Institute of Engineering and Technology (Autonomous)

#### BUSINESS COMMUNICATION AND SOFT SKILLS

Subject Code: GR14A1024 L T P C I Year II Sem 0 0 2 2

Pre Requisites: Familiarity with basic language and communication skills.

**Course Objectives:** This Course is common to first year branches of UG Engineering. At the end of the course the student is expected to

- 1. Recognize the role and importance of language and communication skills.
- 2. Know about the importance of the formality in communication.
- 3. Equip with critical thinking, writing, listening and acquires the ability to work in teams.

#### **Course Outcomes:**

- 1. Understand the role and importance of various forms of communication skills and will learn to make use of them in their respective professional fields.
- 2. Present themselves in various formal social and professional situations.
- 3. Shall meet the requirements of corporate communication.

**Unit-I:Just A Minute (JAM):introduction to public** speaking, analyzing and assimiliating ideas, audience, voice modulation, pronunciation and enunciation

Unit-II Phonetics: Introduction to speech sounds; identification of sound symbols; vowel and consonants

Unit-III Role play: Introduction to role play; situation handling; non-verbal communication

**Unit-IV Debate:** Introduction and features of Debate; Types of Debate; Understanding critical thinking; building sustainable arguments; assessing credibility of the argument; overcoming obstacles

Unit-V Describing a Person, Situation, Process and Object:introduction to techniques of clear, brieaf and impersonal description to a listener or reader

**Unit-VI Letter Writing** Manual and Emailing; types and formats; content and body of the letter. Email etiquettes

Unit-VII Report Writing Formats and types of reports

**Unit-VIII Mind Mapping** Assimilation of thoughts; expansion of ideas on central idea; suggesting parameters to carry forward the thinking process without deviation

### **Reference Books**

- 1. Business Communication; Hory Sankar Mukerjee; Oxford University Press
- 2. Business Communication; Meenakshi Raman, Prakash Singh; Oxford University Press
- 3. English and Soft skills; SP DHanavel; Orient Blackswan
- 4. Soft Skills for Everyone; Jeff Butterfield; Cengage Learning
- 5. Communication Skills; Viva Career Skills Library
- 6. Personality Development and Soft Skills; Barun K Mitra; Oxford University Press
- 7. Six Thinking Hats, Penguin Books, Edward De Bono
- 8. English for Engineer's; Aeda Abidi, Ritu Chaudhry; Cengage Learning
- 9. Communication Skills; Sanjay Kumar, Pushpalatha; Oxford University Press
- 10. Business English: The Writing Skills you need for today's work place: Geffner, Andrea: Fifth edition ,Barron's Educational Series ,Newyork

## **Software Used**

- 1. Sky Pronunciation Suite
- 2. Clarity
- 3. Mastering English