



# Centre for Life Skills & Soft Skills

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# Preamble:

- *The Centre aims at nurturing graduate attributes among students by inculcating communicative, soft and life skills to help them become better citizens of the world.*

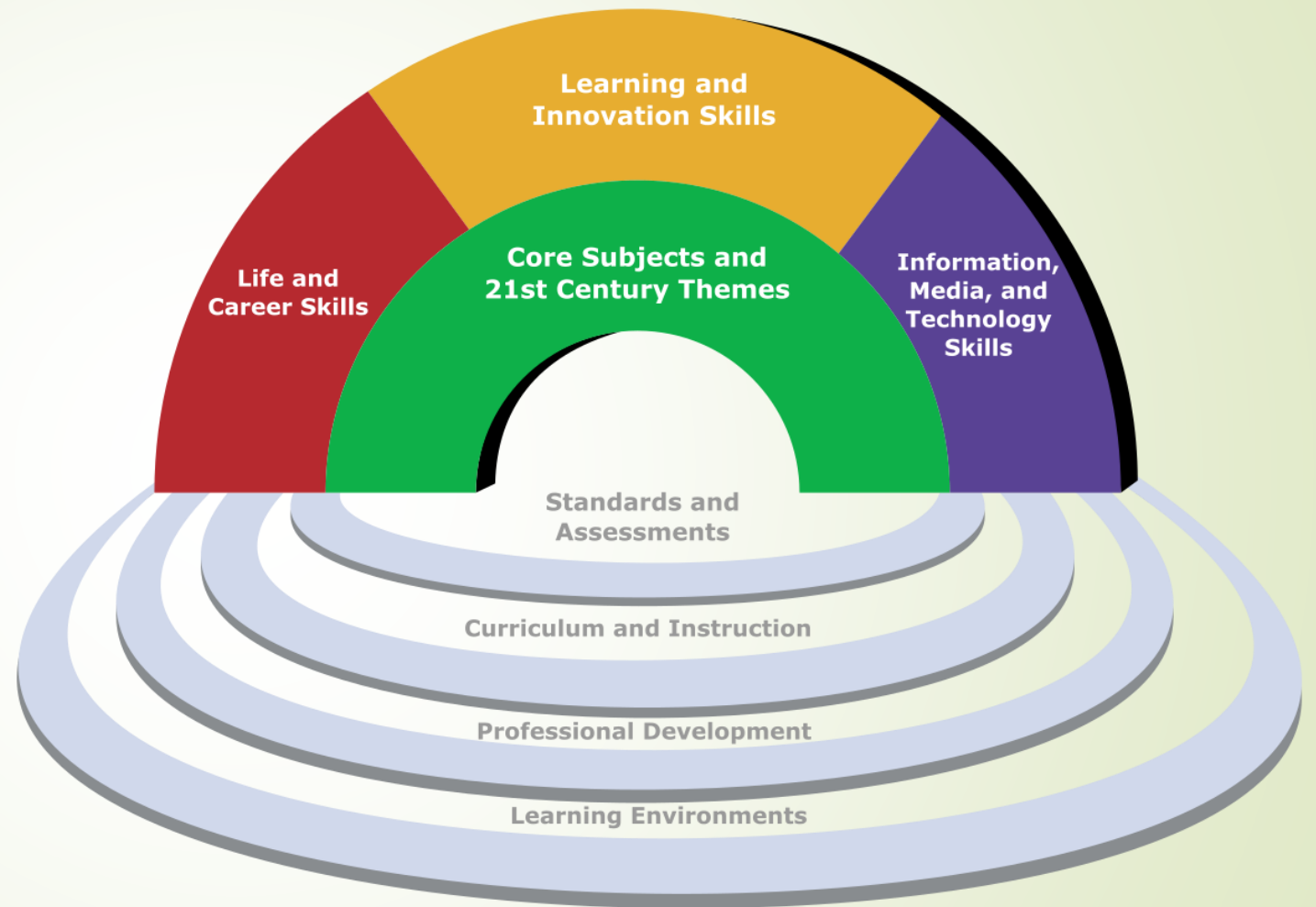


Figure 1 - P21 Framework for 21st Century Learning

## Scope:

- The Centre aims to offer and design programs which will be designed by taking inspiration from principles of OODA (Observe, Organise/ Orient, Decide and Act) Loop and Decision/ Game theory.
- *OODA Loop was designed by military strategist and United States Air Force Colonel John Boyd.*  
[\(https://taylorpearson.me/ooda-loop/\)](https://taylorpearson.me/ooda-loop/)



**Life Skills:** is a term open to wide interpretation, it is used to describe a set of basic skills acquired through learning and/or direct life experience that enable individuals and groups to effectively handle issues and problems commonly encountered in daily life.

The World Health Organization has defined life skills as, "the abilities for adaptive and positive behaviour that enable individuals to deal effectively with the demands and challenges of everyday life".

UNICEF defines life skills as "a behaviour change or behaviour development approach designed to address a balance of three areas: knowledge, attitude and skills".

# Ten Life Skills by NICEF, UNESCO and WHO

- problem solving,
- critical thinking,
- effective communication skills,
- decision-making,
- creative thinking,
- interpersonal relationship skills,
- selfawareness building skills,
- empathy,
- coping with stress
- and emotions

Source: [http://www.unodc.org/pdf/youthnet/action/message/escap\\_peers\\_07.pdf](http://www.unodc.org/pdf/youthnet/action/message/escap_peers_07.pdf)



United Nations  
Educational, Scientific and  
Cultural Organization



# Mapping of Such Work /Centers:

- ▶ UNO & WHO
- ▶ British Council
- ▶ World Skills (worldskills.org)
- ▶ UNICEF
- ▶ UGC – Framework (Communication/ Professional/ Leadership & Mgmt/ Universal Human Values)
- ▶ Delhi University – Institute of Life Long Learning
- ▶ PLCSUPVA – Soft Skills
- ▶ Mumbai University – Certificate Course
- ▶ Central University of Kerala - MOOC

## How are we unique:

- ▶ Moving from Global Standards to Local Requirement
- ▶ **Inspire:** Young People to develop a passion for Life skills & Soft Skills, & pursuing excellence.
- ▶ **Develop:** Life Skills & Soft Skills through Organized yet Open System, and Enhancing Industry Engagement



World Health  
Organization



# The Centre Aims at:

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**Offer programmes to sensitize the students**

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**Orient Students for Strengthening language & competence**

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**Design Courses**

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**Develop ability to describe, argue, cohere and draw inferences;**

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**Impart Core values of humanities to sustain.**



# Why Centre for Life Skills & Soft Skills ?

- ▶ With the rapid changes happening, talent will need to reinvent itself with a lot of agility to stay relevant with the changed landscape of job opportunities.
- ▶ India Skills Report 2020, also clearly mentions in this regard that the skills which employers seem to emphasize on while screening candidates are domain knowledge, adaptability to the environment, learning agility and positive attitude. **Life Skills & Soft Skills have a key role here.**





- It is imperative to mention here that '**Life Skills**' is amongst one of the key principles on which **The National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020)** is based upon and has paid significant emphasis for New India.
- **NEP 2020** specifically mentions that India has a long tradition of holistic and multidisciplinary learning. The very idea that all branches of creative human endeavor - including mathematics, science, vocational subjects, professional subjects, **and soft skills - should be considered 'arts' indeed has distinctly Indian origins.**
- This notion of 'knowledge of many arts' - what in modern times is called the 'liberal arts' (i.e., a liberal notion of the arts) - must be brought back to Indian education, **as it is exactly the kind of education that will be required for the 21st century.**



# The Centre is the Brain Child of Prof. Rajbir Singh

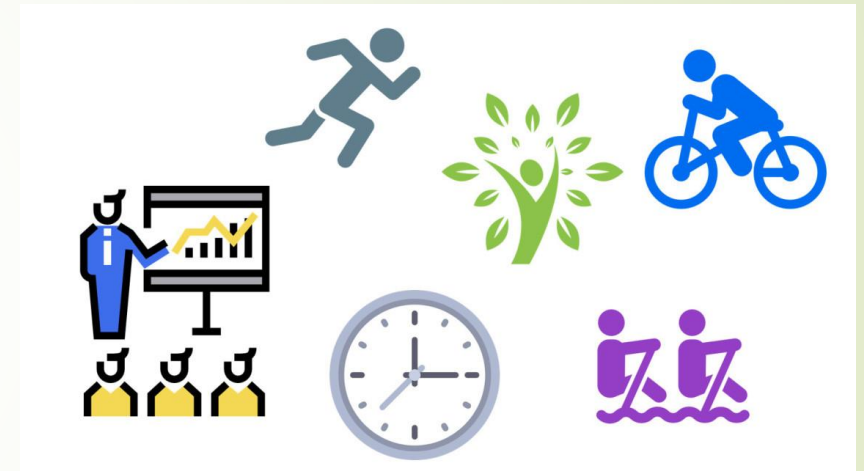
- With this backdrop, under the visionary leadership of **Prof. Rajbir Singh**, Vice - Chancellor M.D University Rohtak, A theoretical background was laid by the following committee:
- **Prof. Nina Singh** the then Director Ch. Ranbir Singh Institute of Social & Economic Change (Convener),
- **Prof. Jaibir Singh Hooda,**
- **Prof. Sumit Gill,**
- **Dr Divya Malhan**
- **Dr Nidhi.**
- The Roadmap of the same has been carefully crafted along with the Preamble, Scope and Programmes.

***We are thankful to them!***



# Centre for Life Skills & Soft Skills

- The Centre is planned and proposed keeping in view the :
- Graduate Attributes of University,
- In the spirit of National Educational Policy 2020 and
- Factual published reports such as National Skills Report 2020.



# Roadmap for Future

## Need of:

- Board of Studies
- Advisory Committee







# Request to Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor:

For Invite for Logo & Dedicate the webpage for stakeholders!



**We welcome your suggestions:**



**WELCOME**

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THANK YOU

