

Santa Fe Community College

The Early Years

From a 38 Year Old Memory Bank

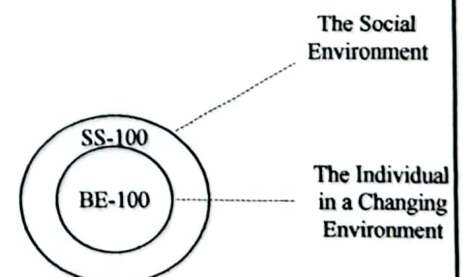
The Santa Fe Commitment

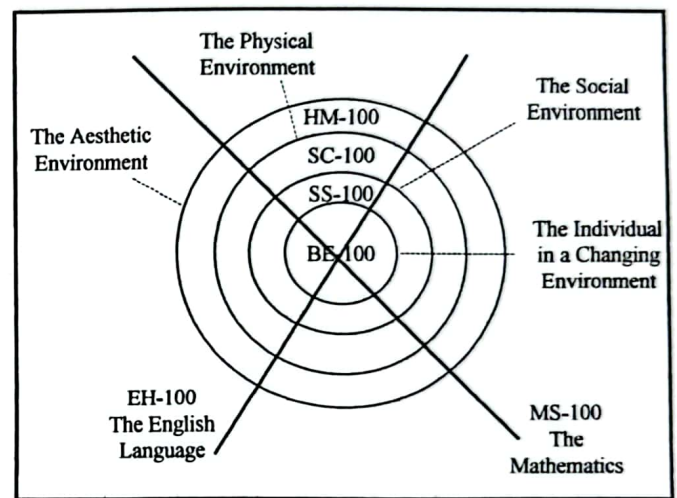
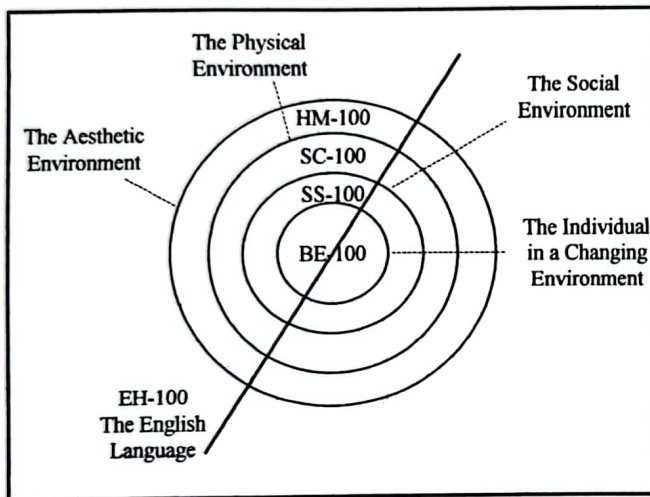
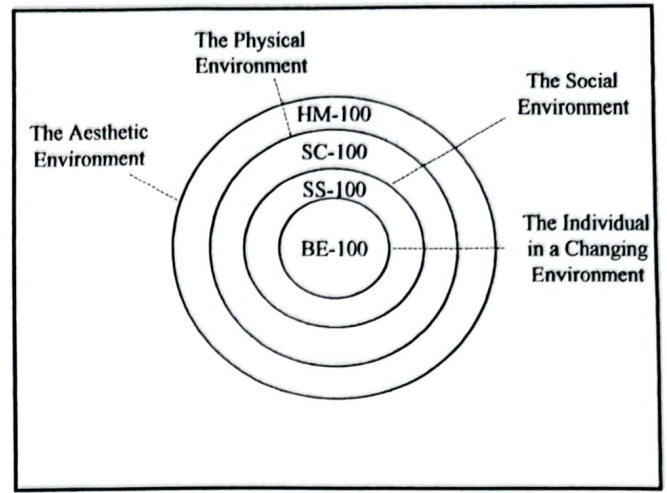
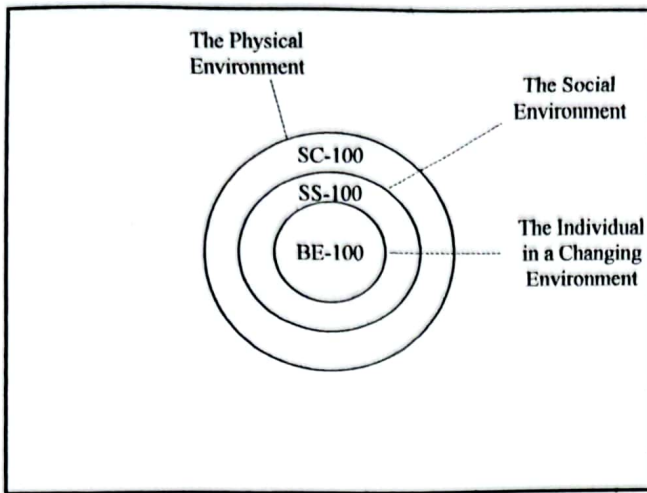
1. The student is the central focus for the process of learning.
2. Teaching occurs only when students learn.
3. Effective educational experiences will modify human behavior in a positive manner.

4. All human beings are motivated to achieve that which they believe is good.
5. Education should be an exciting, creative, and rewarding experience for the student and the teacher.
6. All human beings have worth, dignity, and potential.
7. Experimentation and innovation are reflections of attitudes; when they are translated into practice, the process of education can be significantly advanced.

8. Traditional concepts of education (the lecture, the thirty student class, the fifty-minute period, the standard textbook, the term course, the "F" grade, the rectangular classroom, the student desk) are suspect and in need of careful trial and evaluation at least equal to, and perhaps more than, new and innovative practices.

The General Education Common Core Santa Fe Community College





The Common Core Courses

- All courses required of everyone
- Behavioral objectives (cognitive and affective)
- Critical minima
- No pre-assessment for placement
- A, B, C grading system
- Learning contracts
- Active learning, problem-based learning, collaborative learning

Miscellaneous

1. House units for organization
2. No behavioral regulations—no probation and suspension
3. Behavioral objectives for student activities program
4. Nature nooks

Favorite Quotes

- “Nothing human is disgusting.” Night of the Iguana Tennessee Williams
- “It is only with the heart that one can see rightly; what is important is invisible to the eye.” The Little Prince