

Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Dubai Campus

05 Day Online Faculty Development Program (Total 15 hours)

12th January to 16th January 2026 (2.30pm to 5.45pm IST)

Critical Thinking in Design Pedagogy



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TAKEAWAYS:

- **A strengthened theoretical foundation in critical thinking**, with specific emphasis on its relevance and application within spatial design education.
- **A practical toolkit of exercises, assignments, and questioning strategies** that foster deeper inquiry and reflective dialogue in classrooms & studios.
- **Assessment frameworks to evaluate student reasoning**, ethical judgment, and metacognitive awareness, enabling meaningful feedback.
- **Institutional strategies for embedding and advocating critical pedagogy** across the curriculum, supporting cultural and academic integration.

Link for Registration:

<https://forms.gle/Ao4XS2JH9E7PZRseA>

Link for Payment:

<https://eazypay.icicibank.com/eazypayLink?P1=KOOKQYJf8LZHkyuUDx6Q==>

Link for Nomination form under CTP 2023-2024 and 2024-2025

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1NUWCckxuXdABP44kxCETJmRUnWIRIHKK/view?usp=drive_link

Deadline to Register:

9th January 2026 by 5.30pm, IST

NOTES:

- Teachers/Architects who wish to register for the training program either under Collaborative Training Program (CTP 2022-23) or as independent individuals may fill up the Google form available on the given link.
- To confirm registration, kindly upload proof of payment towards the registration fees /nomination form on college letterhead before submitting the registration form; This program is not for students.
- Link to join the program will be shared one day prior to the program
- E-Certificate of said training program shall be sent via email on registered email id of participants, after successful completion of training program by participant i.e. attending all sessions and submitting all assignments, EOPT and feedback form of training program.
- **EOPT Date and time:** 16th January 2026, 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm, IST. **Registration fees:** Rs.1,500/- (Rupees One thousand five hundred only).

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