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Like other organizations and companies, educational institutions such as schools, colleges are also in the place to demonstrate their position in providing high-quality services to their customers. In other words, educational institutions are in the position to prove their ability in delivering quality learning services to their students. This can be done easily with the help of ISO certification.

In this topic, we will help you know more about the ISO certification, the applicable ISO standards for the educational organizations, and the importance of achieving the ISO certificate.

Is ISO certificate necessary for educational organizations?

The answer is No; Obtaining the ISO certification is not a mandatory requirement of the standard. You can build an effective management system just by following the specifications of the ISO standards. Although it is not mandatory, it helps your business to impress the learners and other beneficiaries and allows you to meet the statutory requirements.

What is the process to get ISO certificate?

Want to obtain the ISO certification for your educational institution? It will be helpful if you follow the following procedures. This helps you meet the intended results.

Documentation: Prepare the documents of the school process, teaching methods, learning services, workshop activities, library records, etc. This documented information will speak for you in the certification audit.

Implementation: Enhance your organization's policies and objectives according to the ISO standard requirement. Promote the management system, operational process, and services in compliance with ISO criteria. Assign the roles and responsibilities to the staff to avoid the miscommunication.

Awareness Training: Educate your staff to understand the ISO standard and the objectives of your organization. This provides job satisfaction for the employees and increases the process efficiency.

Gap analysis: Conduct a gap analysis to find out the flaws and gaps in the implementation process. Rectify them effectively before the certification audit begins.

Scope of the certification: After implementing the management system, send a proposal to the certification body to initiate the ISO certification. The proposal is called the scope of the certification. It should state the exact process of your organization (what it does). It helps auditors to prepare a plan accordingly.

Certification audit: Generally, the certification audit includes 2 stages. In stage 1 audit, the auditors will verify the documents, records and reports and also evaluate your organization's competence in delivering the learning services. If there are any sections that need further improvement, the auditors will provide the deviation report with the audit report.

You should take the effective actions to implement the non-conformities. In the stage-2 audit, the auditors will assess the overall management system to verify whether it met the requirements of the ISO criteria. The auditors will close the non-conformities if they are implemented flawlessly. Finally, the auditing team will provide the audit report and the ISO certificate.