GUJARAT UNIVERSITY
MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK (M.S.W.) PROGRAMME
FIRST- SEMESTER-SYLLABUS

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MSW-401: SOCIOLOGY FOR SOCIAL WORKER

OBJECTIVES:

1. Understanding of concept to examine social phenomenon.
2. Develop skills to analyse India society.
3. Understand social change and conflict.
4. Understanding the importance of social institution for analysing social problem.

COURSE CONTENTS:

Unit I: Sociology & its relationship to other disciplines.
1. Meaning, Scope & Significance.
2. Its relationship with other social sciences viz. history, economics, politics, psychology, anthropology & Social Work.

Unit II: Society & Culture.
1. Society is a system of relationship.
2. Social Structure: Meaning, Status & Roles.

Unit III: Indian Society:
1. Composition of India Society: The concept of unity of diversity.
2. Social classification in India: Tribal, Rural & Urban divisions.

Unit IV: Social Group, Social Institutions & Social Control:
2. Types of Social Institution : Marriage, Family, Religion, State & Law
4. Social Control exercised through the Social Institution.

**Unit V: Theories of Society:**
1. Significance of a theoretical understanding of society.
2. Evolutionary, Cyclical, Conflict & System theories.

**REFERENCES:**


MSW-402: INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL WORK

OBJECTIVES:
1. Familiarize students to the core values and philosophy of social work profession and enable them to imbibe these values into their professional self.
2. Enable students to understand and differentiate social work and other related terms.
3. Understand the context of emergence of social work as a profession.
4. Understand the nature of Social work practice in different settings.

COURSE CONTENTS:
Unit I: Fundamental of Social Work
1. Definitions & Concept of Social Work
2. Values of social work
3. Principles of social work
5. Social work & its relationship with Sociology, Psychology, Political Science, Economics & Anthropology

Unit II: Historical Development of Social Work
1. Development of professional social work in U.K. and U.S.A.
2. Development of professional social work in India
3. Contribution of Gandhiji and Dr. B. R. Ambedkar in social work

Unit III: Social Work as a Profession
1. Criteria of profession and social work as a profession in India
2. Curative, Promotive & Rehabilitative functions of social work
3. Roles of social workers
4. Competencies (Skills) for social work practice
5. Code of ethics for social workers – (TISS Code of Ethics)

Unit IV: Theoretical Perspectives for Social Work Practice
1. Person-In-Environment Model,
2. Strengths Perspective,
3. Anti-Oppressive Social Work,
4. Feminist Social Work,
5. Empowerment Model of social work,

Unit V: Social Work Practice Areas
1. Emerging areas for social work practice :-) 
   • Social defence
   • Industry
   • Family & Child Welfare
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MSW-403: SOCIAL CASE WORK

OBJECTIVES:

1. To understand the case work method and its application in practice
2. To equip learners with theoretical knowledge for work with individuals and families
3. To develop competencies in learners to use the method in practice while working with individual clients and families.
4. To equip learners with values and skills necessary for working with individuals and families.

COURSE CONTENTS:

Unit I: Social Casework as a Method of Social Work

2. Components of Casework (Perlman’s model)
   a) Person - client, significant others and collaterals
   b) Problem - need, impaired social functioning
   c) Place - agency, objectives, functions, policies and resources.
   d) Process - casework intervention
3. History and Development of Social Casework in UK, USA and INDIA.

Unit II: Principles of Social Casework Practice

1. Begin where the client is.
2. Individualization
3. Purposeful expression of feelings
4. Controlled emotional involvement
5. Acceptance
6. Non-judgemental attitude
7. Client self determination
8. Confidentiality

Unit III: Tools of Working with Individuals and Families

1. Intake
2. Casework interview
3. Home visit
4. Recording and its types
5. Case worker – client relationship
6. Communication - verbal, non-verbal, eye contact, body language.
Unit IV: The process of intervention with clients
   1. Study
   2. Psycho-social study
   3. Psycho-social diagnosis
   4. Intervention plan
   5. Termination & Follow-up

Unit V: Essentials of Working With Individuals and Families
   1. Skills for working with individuals and families
   2. Techniques for working with individuals and families

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10. Mathew Grace  1992  An Introduction to Social Case Work, Bombay : Tata Institute of social Sciences
MSW404: SOCIAL GROUP WORK

OBJECTIVES:

1. Develop understanding of group work as a method of professional social work
2. Gain insight into various dimensions of group processes and group work practice.
3. Develop competencies for working with groups in diverse settings.

COURSE CONTENTS:

Unit I: Understanding Social Groups
1. Social Groups: Definitions, characteristics, functions and group structure
2. Classification of groups: Cooley and Tonnies
3. Social groups and cultural context

Unit II: Groups in Social Work Practice
1. Historical development of group work
2. Group work: definition, goals and values
3. Principles of group work
4. Models of group work practice

Unit III: Group Process and group dynamics
1. Basic group processes – Introduction & Meaning, Intervention in group process
2. Group dynamics: Concept, Definition, Need & Significance of Dynamics, Group dynamics – an interdisciplinary field
3. Leadership – Concept, Definition, Qualities,
4. Group Decision-making and problem solving - Concept & Approaches

Unit IV: Group Development
1. Stages of group development
2. Techniques and skills in group work
3. Communication – Concept, Definition, Process & Barriers
4. Programme development – process & use of programme media
5. Recording in group work – Importance, Types & Principles
6. Evaluation in social group work

Unit V: Settings and Sites of Group Work
1. Group worker: Roles and functions
2. Group work with different areas like children, hospital setting, youth & elderly
3. Group work with task groups
REFERENCES:

MSW-405: SOCIAL WORK RESEARCH

OBJECTIVES:

1. Develop an understanding about the scientific approach to human inquiry.
2. Develop an appreciation of the value and approach in social work research in addressing
3. Problems in the field of professional practice.
4. Develop attitudes and skills appropriate for social work research.
5. Develop skills for use of library and documentation in research work.
6. Acquire the skills for data analyses and research writing.

COURSE CONTENTS:

Unit I: Science & Scientific Method
1. Science – Concept & Meaning
2. Meaning and characteristics of scientific method

Unit II: Social Research
1. Goals of research
2. Basic elements of social research- concepts & constructs, variables, hypothesis, theories, operational definitions
3. Steps in the process of research
4. Types of research
5. Ethics in research

Unit III: Concepts, hypothesis and theories.
1. Concepts- Meaning; formal and operational definition; variables and indicators.
2. Hypothesis- Meaning; attributes of a sound hypothesis; role in explanatory research.

Unit IV: Social Work Research
1. Use of research in social work
2. Social Research, Social Science Research and Social Work Research.
3. Steps in Social Work Research

Unit V: Research Designs in Social Work Research
1. Social Surveys
2. Experimental study design & its Types, logic of experimentation, causation and control, randomization and matching internal validity
3. Other research approaches supportive to social work research: Action research; Participatory research
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MSW – 406 FIELD WORK PRACTICUM

1) આ પેપર તમામ વિદ્યાર્થીઓ માટે કૃણયાત રહેશે.

• આ પેપરમાં વિદ્યાર્થીઓ ક્ષેત્રીય કાર્ય (Field Work) સાથે સંકળાયેલા રહેશે.
• વિદ્યાર્થીઓ ક્ષેત્રીય કાર્ય (Field Work) નો અહેવાલ (Report) લખવાનો રહેશે.
• વિદ્યાર્થીઓ પ્રારંભક પોતાના અહેવાલની રજૂઆત (Presentation of Report) કરવાની રહેશે.

2) આ પેપર કુલ 100 માકસ્નું રહેશે જેમાં 70 માકસે ક્ષેત્રીય કાર્ય અહેવાલ વગરેના અને 30 માકસે આંતરરિક મૂલ્યાંકનના રહેશે.