

MASTER DEGREE IN SOCIAL WORK (MSWOL)

(MSWOL Second Year)

Assignment: 2026-2027

Course Titles

MSW-007: Case Work and Counselling: Working with Individuals

MSW-008: Social Group Work: Working with Groups

MSW-009: Community Organization Management for Community Development

MSW-017: Contemporary Methods and Values of Social Work

MSWE-001: HIV/AIDS: Stigma, Discrimination and Prevention

MSWE-002: Women and Child Development

MSWE-003: Disaster Management

MSWE-007: International Social Work

Last Date to upload the Assignment on the LMS
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July, 2026 Session – March 31, 2027
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January, 2027 Session – September 30, 2027

Note : Kindly prepare the assignments for the courses you have opted.

Dear Learner,

Welcome to the **Master of Social Work [MSWOL]** Programme at IGNOU.

Your decision to pursue this programme reflects your commitment to contributing to social development and improving the lives of others.

To ensure a smooth and successful learning experience, please follow these key guidelines:

- Read the Programme Guide carefully before beginning your studies. It will clarify most of your academic and administrative queries.
- Upload your assignments for the opted courses on time on the LMS portal. Remember, assignments carry 30% weightage towards your final grade.
- In case of any query related to the programme, please write to mswolinfo@ignou.ac.in.
- Be in contact with your allotted Field Work Supervisor (FWS) for fieldwork supervision.
- Fill and submit the examination form within the due dates.

Important Notes on Assignments:

- Assignments are open-book exams and must be handwritten and signed before upload.
- Read the relevant study units carefully before attempting each question.
- Discuss with peers and academic counsellors, prepare a draft, revise it, and then write the final version.
- Start each answer on a new page, and structure your responses with a clear introduction, sub-headings, body, and conclusion.
- Leave a line between paragraphs for clarity.
- Write all the details like Name of programme, Name of course, Enrolment No., Academic Year, Regional Centre etc. on the front page of assignment.
- Write in your own words and avoid copying from books or external sources. Use IGNOU study materials as your primary reference.

Remember, assignment preparation is a crucial step towards your term-end examination. Take it seriously and approach it as an opportunity to deepen your understanding of the subject.

We wish you a rewarding and enriching learning journey.

Prof. Saumya & Dr. Binod
Programme Coordinators (MSWOL)

Case Work and Counselling: Working with individuals

ASSIGNMENT

Course Code: MSW-007

Total marks: 100

Note: (i) Answer all the **five** questions.

(ii) **All** questions carry **equal** marks.

(iii) Answers to question no. **1** and **2** should not exceed **600** words each.

1. Explain the principles of case work and the client-worker relationship with examples. 20
Or
Examine the theoretical foundations and framework of counselling. 20
2. Define recording. Discuss the significance of recording practices in social case work. 20
Or
Describe the various stages involved in the social case work process. 20
3. Answer any **two** of the following questions in about **300** words each:
 - a) Explain the different tools used in social case work practice. 10
 - b) Briefly describe the factors influencing personality development. 10
 - c) Discuss the interviewing skills essential for effective case work practice. 10
 - d) What are the elements of communication and explain the barriers to effective communication. 10
4. Attempt any **four** of the following in about **150** words each:
 - a) List the characteristics of a social case work agency. 5
 - b) Highlight the essential skills required for a case worker. 5
 - c) Briefly describe any three psychoanalytic techniques. 5
 - d) Discuss listening as an important skill in social case work practice. 5
 - e) Mention the different forms of case records. 5
 - f) Discuss the relevance and challenges of case work practice in India. 5
5. Write short notes on any **five** of the following in about **100** words each:
 - a) The Eclectic Approach 4
 - b) Aversion Therapy 4
 - c) Reinforcement 4
 - d) Home Visit 4
 - e) Summary Recording 4
 - f) Scope of Counselling in Social Work Practice 4
 - g) Guidance Counselling 4
 - h) Role Playing 4