

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)

SOCIAL GROUP WORK: WORKING WITH GROUPS

ASSIGNMENT

Course Code: MSW-008

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. Define social group work. Explain the process of group formation in detail. 20
Or
Discuss the factors influencing group leadership with relevant examples. 20
2. Describe the major theories used in Social Group Work. 20
Or
Explain the different models of social group work. 20
3. Answer any **two** of the following questions in about **300** words each:
 - a) Explain the need for group work in a community setting. 10
 - b) Describe the steps involved in organizing and implementing social action groups. 10
 - c) Enlist the theories of leadership. 10
 - d) List and explain the various types of groups. 10
4. Attempt any **four** of the following in about **150** words each:
 - a) Enlist the objectives of group work in a industrial setting. 5
 - b) Discuss the characteristics of SHGs. 5
 - c) Why is the process of group formation important in Social Group Work? 5
 - d) Discuss the limitations and shortcomings of action groups. 5
 - e) Elaborate the concept of programme planning. 5
 - f) Differentiating between Group Work and Case Work. 5
5. Write short notes on any **five** of the following in about **100** words each:
 - a) Reciprocal Model 4
 - b) Self-help Groups(SHG) 4
 - c) Values in Social Group Work 4
 - d) Group Dynamics 4
 - e) Life Skill Education 4
 - f) Concept of Ambivalence 4
 - g) Empathy 4
 - h) Group Work in Youth Welfare 4