

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK
M.PHIL SOCIAL WORK
M.PHIL PROGRAMME

SYLLABUS

Effective from the Academic Year 2016-2017



Loyola College (Autonomous)

Chennai- 600 034

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

M.Phil. Restructured Syllabus

(Effective from 2007-08)

Eligibility

The University of Madras granted recognition to the Department of Social Work for Master of Philosophy of Social Work in July 1989. The M.Phil. (S.W.) is Methods based, Practice oriented Course comprising three levels sequentially- Theory Classes, Field Work Practicum and Dissertation, in an Academic Year. Candidates are systematically trained to integrate knowledge, skill and values utilizing Theory and Methods of Social Work Practice to understand the complexity of human problems and provide interventions for persons affected especially the weaker and vulnerable sections of society. The Agency context provides the framework for the candidate to achieve Professional Competence as a Practitioner, Researcher and Teacher without compromising the Ethical dimension of the Social Work Profession.

Total Credits : 36

I Semester: 90 days

Credits:18

Course Code	Paper	Course	Marks			Credits
			Internal	External	Total	
SW 1115	Paper I	Advanced Social Work Research and Social Statistics	50	50	100	5
SW 1116	Paper II	Social Work and Social Development	50	50	100	5
SW 1118	Paper III	Field Work Practicum	100	—	100	8

SW 1216	Sem. II	Dissertation and Viva Voce	75	25	100	18
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Note: for SW 1118 Field Work Practicum

The Candidate in consultation with his/her Supervisor will develop a model of Professional Social Work Practice which he/she will apply in a Social Welfare Agency where he/she will work for 30 days (200 hours). At the end of the period the Candidate will submit a Monograph on his/her work. The Monograph will contain a syllabus that the candidate will formulate as a result of his/her work in the Social Welfare Agency. The Practicum will be a preparation for the Dissertation in the II Semester of the Course.

The marks for Paper III (SW 1118) will be awarded as follows:

1.	Continuous Assessment by the Supervisor	:	40
2.	Typed Report (Monograph)	:	40
3.	Seminar	:	20
	Total		100

A Candidate has to ensure a minimum of 50 marks in the 1st Semester Theory for each Paper to pass. If a candidate fails in First Semester Theory he/she is allowed to continue in Semester II for his/ her Dissertation. A Candidate is allowed 3 attempts and has to pass the First Semester within 3 years.

II Semester: 90 days

18 credits

SW 1216 Dissertation

The M.Phil. Candidate shall write a Dissertation on the topic approved by his/her Supervisor. The Dissertation will be based on Original Empirical Research and should fall within the purview of Social Work Research. There will be a Viva Voce for the Candidate in relation to the Dissertation. The Viva Voce will be conducted by a Committee consisting of one External

Examiner connected with the evaluation of the Dissertation, Head of the Institution, Head of M.Phil. Department and the Supervisor of the respective Candidate.

The marks for the Dissertation will be as follows:

S.No	Descriptions	Dissertation	Viva	Total
1.	Supervisor	75	25	100
2.	External Examiner	75	25	100

For Part-Time Candidates.

Part-Time candidates will take the Theory Examination at the end of the First Semester and submit the Dissertation at the end of the Second Academic Year.

Ph.D (SOCIAL WORK)

Eligibility: M.A Degree in Social Work, Full time/ Part Time of a Recognised University

Pre- Ph.D Requirements

The candidates registered for the Ph.D Degree are required to successfully complete the following pre Ph.D requirements to be eligible to proceed with the course for the Research Degree.

- Paper I (Written Examination): Research Methodology which would include Social Work Research Methods, Advanced statistics and Computer Applications.
- Paper II (Written and Oral Examination): Three Assignments based on Field Practicum of 200 hours in the Research area chosen by the Candidate.
- M.Phil Degree holders in Social Work are exempted from the above Pre-Ph.D requirements subject to the satisfaction of the Doctoral Committee.

Ph.D Thesis :

A Doctoral Committee will be formed by the Supervisor for each Candidate. This Committee will comprise of the Research Supervisor and Two External Members.

The following requirements are to be fulfilled by every Candidate, prior to the submission of the Thesis.

- 1) Each Candidate has to publish a minimum of 2 papers related to his/ her study in a scientific Journal / as part of a Book / as part of an Edited volume, prior to submission of the Thesis.
- 2) Each Candidate has to present a Paper in a Seminar related to his/ her study or organise a Seminar in the area of his/her research prior to the submission of the Thesis.

Note:

- Ph.D Candidate with M.Phil Social Work Degree shall work for 2 Academic Years as Full-Time Candidates and 3 Academic Years as Part-Time Candidates.
- Ph.D Candidates with M.A. Degree in Social Work shall work for 3 Academic Years as Full-time Candidates and 4 Academic years as Part-time Candidates.
- Also Refer Rules and Regulations for Ph.D Candidates of the University of Madras.

Qualifying candidates can register as Professional Social Workers as per the requirement of Professional Social Work Councils in India and Abroad.

**SW 1115 ADVANCED SOCIAL WORK RESEARCH
AND SOCIAL STATISTICS**

Paper - I

Semester I

Credits : 5

Category: Major Core (MC)

Total hours : 45

Objectives:

1. To reinforce the spirit of research and scientific inquiry in the mind of the students aiming to pursue Research.
2. To enable the students to familiarize themselves with stages of the Research process.
3. To equip the students with various skill required for organizing and presenting research output.

PART I

Advanced Social Work Research

Unit 1

(6 Hours)

Introduction to Social Work Research; Research in Social Work : Issues & concepts. Nature of Social Work Research, limitations, Utility of Research, Ethics in Research, Plagiarism in Research.

Unit 2

(10 Hours)

Research Problem, Hypothesis, Research Design and Sampling Strategies. Formation of a research problem : selection of Problem, Defining a Problem, techniques involved in defining a problem. Concepts: Identification and Formulation of concepts. Conceptual and Operational definitions – Phenomena – Social Phenomena- inductive and deductive reasoning. The concept of causality in Social Work Research. Establishing cause-effect relationships in Social Research. Logic of proof, Method of agreement, Method of concomitant variation.

Hypothesis: Formulation of hypothesis, characteristics, sources and types.

Research Designs- Exploratory, Descriptive, Diagnostic, Evaluative, Experimental, Ex-Post facto and Non experimental research designs. Cohort studies , Methods of Social Research: Survey Method, Case Study Method, Case Evaluation method, historical method, statistical method, field method, participative and action research methods.

Sampling Strategies: Probability and Non probability sampling, various sampling strategies used in Social Work Research. Characteristics of a good sample design. Methods of data collections, collection of primary data through questionnaires, schedules, collection of secondary data.

Qualitative Research : Use of documents, life history diary, literature, films, content analysis, narrative analysis , Focus Group; uses and significance of observation in Social Work Research – Interview as a technique in Social Work Research. Action Research and PRA.

Unit 3

(7Hours)

Analysis and Interpretation of Data: Processing and Analysis of Data Editing, Coding, Classification, Tabulation, Preparation of Research Report; Format and Presentation

PART II

SOCIAL STATISTICS

Unit 4

(6 Hours)

Theory of Measurement – Definition, Levels of measurement and scales of measurement – Appropriate Statistical Technique of each level of Measurement. Methods of Scale Construction: Selection of items, item analysis, various methods of scale construction, validity, reliability.

Unit 5

(10 Hours)

Descriptive statistics: Central Tendency Dispersion, Skewness, The Normal Distribution, Statistical Inference, Point and Interval Estimation, Test of Null Hypothesis, Parametric Test, Difference of Means Test,

Difference of Proportions Test, The Wald- Wolfwitz Funs Test, The Mann-Whitney Test, The Kolmogoro-Smirov Test, Chi Square Test, Analysis of Variance and Covariance , One way and Two way analysis of Variance Correlation and Regression: Multiple and Partial Correlation – Factor Analysis, Path Analysis.

Unit 6 (6 Hours)

Statistical Packages in Social Work Research. Introduction to LINUX and SPSS and its importance in Social Work Research.

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SW 1116 SOCIAL WORK AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Paper - II

Semester I

Credits : 5

Category : Major Core (MC)

Total hours : 40

Objectives:

1. Critically understand the concept, content and process of Social Development
2. Develop the capacity to identify linkages between social needs, problems, social policy and planning and Social Services and reinforce values of Social Justice, Gender Justice and Equality.
3. Social Development and application of Social Development to Social Work Theory and Practice.

PART – I

20 Hours

Unit 1

Concept of Social Development: Definitions of Development and Social Development, Goals of Development, Development indicators, cross country and inter-country comparisons.

Unit 2

Theories of Social Development and Approaches: Social evolution, Sanskritization, Westernisation, Modernisation, Secularisation, Socialism, Capitalism, Welfare, Gandhian approach, Rights- based approach.

Unit 3

Social Development in India: Political Economy and Globalisation.

Unit 4

Social Work Education in India: Historical and future perspectives, indigenous approaches to social work education

Unit 5

Social Science context in Social Work Education: Social Policy and Social Planning for Welfare Services

Unit 6

Social Work Practice: The specialness of Social work Supervision, Social Work's organisational context, the Professional in the organisation

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