

Ch. Charan Singh University, Meerut
M.S.W. Programme, Department of Sociology
Syllabus of M.S.W. (Master of Social Work)

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MSW (Master of Social Work)

Objective of the Course

The era of rapid socio-economic and technological transformation has given rise to numerous opportunities of development, but concomitant to those human development indices it has given rise to several problems for human beings as individuals and groups which need not only medical remedies but more so social remedies because they feel deprived of normal participation in social life. Such problems have been acknowledged since the transformation from animate energy to inanimate energy (i.e. industrialization) has taken place in Western Europe in the first half of nineteenth century. In this background how to help such deprived or disabled sections of society so that they may participate in normal social life as normal social citizens. This has given rise to a new profession called 'Social Work'. Systematic study of social work as a profession earlier started in the western countries. With the beginning of industrialization process in India it got started in India as well.

M.S.W. (Master of Social Work) programme is a two year (four semesters) Post Graduate degree which aims to prepare professional social workers. As usual norms of a professional degree the course contents and associated practical work spreads over two years (four semesters). In this university M.S.W. programme got started from 2003-04 under 'self financed scheme' of courses.

Looking at the need of quality improvement the revised rules relating to admission eligibility, numbers of courses, course contents, practicals/practice of working, pedagogy etc. are given as follows.

Ordinances/General Rules Relating To Master of Social Work (MSW)

1. No Candidate shall be eligible for admission to M.S.W. unless he/she has not passed Graduation (B.A. /B.Sc./B.Com. etc.) degree of this university or its

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2. equivalent from any other university with not less than 48% (5% less for SC/ST) marks in aggregate and has undergone regular course of study (under 10+2+3 three year degree programme).
3. Candidate shall be selected for admission through a comprehensive competitive written test /merit of graduation marks and an interview/aptitude test/ through personal interview and group discussion test.
4. MSW degree course shall consist of four semesters (in two years).
5. There shall be in all 12 papers, 4 each in first, second and third semesters and fourth semester fully will be devoted to 'Block Field Work' report dissertation and regular practice exercises. A field report/ dissertation on this work shall be prepared in fourth semester.
6. Each of the 12 theory courses/papers will carry 100 marks each (75 external and 25 internal). Block Field Work Report (dissertation) will carry 200 marks. The Concurrent Field Reports of I & II Sem. shall carry 100 marks. Third semester longer placement field reports (16) will carry 100 marks.
6. The allocation of marks for M.S.W. courses shall be as follows-
MSW I Sem. : 4 papers of 100 marks each. (75 ext, 25 int.)
II Sem.: 4 papers of 100 marks each. (75 ext, 25 int.)
III Sem : 4 papers of 100 marks each. (75 ext, 25 int.)
IV Sem.: Block Field Work Report (Dissertation) : 200 marks
(including evaluation, presentation and Discussion)
Short Field Reports-evaluation and viva-voce (I& II Sem.) : 100 marks
Short Field Reports-evaluation and viva-voce (III Sem. work) : 100 marks
(Ag. Placement)

Max. Total Marks (M.M.) = 1600 spread over Four Semesters work.

The break up of marks shall be as follows for each theory paper/course.

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| (a) Written Examination | – 75 Marks |
| (b) Internal Assessment/sessional | - 25 Marks |
- (based on quiz tests/test/term paper etc.)

7. Concurrent Field Work
There will be continuous 'concurrent field work' for two days every week during the first and second semesters, small reports of the work done on a prescribed format shall be submitted every week. Atleast 60 such reports (30 in each semester) shall be completed in the two semesters.
8. Short term placements: Students will be placed with 4 agencies during third semester for atleast four weeks each (two days per week).

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9. During IV Semester students will be attached for Block Field Work/ apprenticeship for not less than 45 to 60 working days duration. A report of satisfactory completion of Block Field Work Report (dissertation) of apprenticeship from the agency/organization/establishment/ institution will be submitted by the student where he/she has worked (as a Volunteer/ worker) in the fourth semester. The degree shall be awarded only after obtaining satisfactory report (dissertation) of this work and submitted in the department evaluation.
10. A candidate who has undergone a regular course of a previous semester and qualifies in atleast two out of three courses shall be promoted to the next semester. No candidate shall be admitted a fresh after the first semester.
11. A candidate shall qualify a semester/degree if he/she has got atleast 40% marks in external and internal assessment (sessional) separately in each course, field work-viva-voce (as prescribed) and 48% marks in aggregate in each semester and in all four semesters together. No candidate shall be allowed to appear in the end semester (external) examination who has not completed the sessional (internal assessment) and has not obtained the required qualifying marks , as above.

In addition to completing requirements of inter assessment etc. a candidate has to complete attendance as prescribed in the ordinances for P.G. campus courses (i.e. 75% of the total). In case of field work practicals one has to complete 100% attendance in terms of days. In special circumstances a candidate may be allowed to compensate four field work days in a semester with the due permission of the course Coordinator/ Head of Department.

12. (i) The 'Concurrent Field Work Reports' of I & II Semesters shall be evaluated and viva-voce will be conducted by a board of two examiners- one internal and one external.
 - (ii) The 'Concurrent Field Work Reports' of the III Semester shall be evaluated by a board of two examiners- one external and one internal in the fourth semester in the manner as in 12(i).
 - (iii) The 'Block Field Work Reports' (**Dissertation**) shall be evaluated by a board of two examiners- one external and one internal with a presentation and discussion by the candidates before the board of examiners.
13. Given the above provisions, if a candidate who fails to obtain the required percentage of marks in a paper/course or in the aggregate for passing the semester/degree may reappear as an ex-student in the subsequent examination of the same semester in the next session.
14. Other provisions remain the same; a candidate shall be eligible to obtain the degree with in a period of maximum four years, there after no claim shall remain.
15. All the above provisions shall be applicable, and if any other matter arise, guidance may be sought from the general rules applicable to higher fee /self financed P.G. courses run in the university or any higher academic body of the university.