



Indira Gandhi National Open University

Regional Centre Cochin, Kaloor P.O.

Cochin-682017, Ernakulam

PROGRAMMES OFFERED IN SOCIAL WORK

About IGNOU

The Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), established by an Act of Parliament in 1985, has continuously striven to build an inclusive knowledge society through inclusive education. It has tried to increase the Gross Enrollment Ratio (GER) by offering high-quality teaching through the Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode. It has been conferred with the awards of excellence by the Commonwealth of Learning (COL) which is the highest Forum for Open Distance Learning in the Commonwealth countries. The University began by offering two academic programmes in 1987, i.e., Diploma in Management and Diploma in Distance Education, with a strength of 4,528 students. Today, it serves the educational aspirations of over 3 million students in India and other countries through 21 Schools of Studies and a network of 67 regional centres, around 2,667 learner support centres and 29 overseas partner institutions. The University offers about 228 certificate, diploma, degree and doctoral programmes, with a strength of nearly 810 faculty members and 574 academic staff at the headquarters and regional centres and about 33,212 academic counsellors from conventional institutions of higher learning, professional organizations, and industry among others.

Prominent Features of University

IGNOU has certain unique features such as:

1. International Jurisdiction
2. Flexible admission rule
3. Nationwide student support services network
4. Cost effective programmes
5. Use of latest information and communication technologies
6. Modular approach to programmes
7. Convergence of open & conventional education systems
8. Individualised study: flexibility in terms of place, pace and duration of study
9. Resource sharing, collaboration and networking with conventional universities, open universities and institutions/organizations.
10. Socially and academically relevant programmes based on student need analysis.

Regional Centre, Cochin

The IGNOU Regional Centre, Cochin was established on 17th November, 1988 to provide open and distance education in the State of Kerala and the Union Territory of Lakshadweep. Over the years, the activities of IGNOU in the region grew and a number of Study Centres were established with substantial student enrolment in various academic programmes of the University. The Regional Centre, Cochin caters to seven districts of Kerala viz., Ernakulam, Thrissur, Palakkad, Kottayam, Idukki and Alappuzha and the Union Territory of Lakshadweep.

IGNOU Admission Cycles

The University offers round the year walk-in-admission for its programmes. The programmes in Social Work are offered in both the cycles of admission, i.e., January and July Cycles. Admission notifications are issued by the University in the leading national and regional dailies.

IGNOU admissions are done through an online admission system. Applicants can conveniently submit their application form through IGNOU website. The online link for admission is <https://onlineadmission.ignou.ac.in/>. The detailed information on the admission procedure and the online application forms are available on the University website at www.ignou.ac.in.

PROGRAMMES OFFERED IN SOCIAL WORKS

IGNOU offers programmes in Social Work discipline at Master, Bachelor, Diploma and Certificate levels.

MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK (MSW)

Program Objective: To offers opportunity to learners for higher studies in professional social work.

Program Fee: Rs.27,000/- (Rs. 13,500/- per year)

Medium of Instruction: English & Hindi

Eligibility: Bachelor's Degree or a higher degree from a recognized University

Duration of the programme: Min: 2 Years, Max: 5 Years

Programme Structure: 66 Credits

Course Code	Title of the Course	Credits
I Year		
MSW 1	Origin and Development of Social Work	4
MSW 2	Professional Social Work: Indian Perspectives	4
MSW 3	Basic Social Science Concepts	4
MSW 4	Social Work and Social Development	4
MSW 5	Social Work Practicum and Supervision	4
MSW 6	Social Work Research	6
MSWL 1	Social Work Practicum-I (Practical)	10
II Year (Compulsory Courses)		
MSW 7	Casework and Counseling: Working with Individuals	4
MSW 8	Social Group Work: Working with Groups	4
MSW 9	Community Organization Management for Community Development	4
MSWL 2	Social Work Practicum-II (Practical)	10
Elective Courses (Choose any two)		
MSWE 1	HIV/AIDS: Stigma, Discrimination and Prevention	4
MSWE 2	Women & Child Development	4
MSWE 3	Disaster Management	4
MSW 10	Introduction to Philanthropic Social Work	4
MSWP 1	Dissertation (Project Work)	4

MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK-COUNSELING (MSWC)

Program Objective: To provide both academic learning and professional education and training in counseling, extending beyond theoretical knowledge.

Program Fee: Rs.30,000/- (Rs. 15,000/- per year)

Medium of Instruction: English

Eligibility: Bachelor's Degree or a higher degree from a recognized University

Duration of the programme: Min: 2 Years, Max: 5 Years;

Programme Structure: 72 Credits

Course Code	Title of the Course	Credits
I Year		
MSW 1	Origin and Development of Social Work	4
MSW 2	Professional Social Work: Indian Perspectives	4
MSW 5	Social Work Practicum and Supervision	4
MSW 8	Social Group Work: Working with Groups	4
MSW 9	Community Organization Management for Community Development	4
MSWL 46	Social Work Practicum-I	8
MSWL 47	Block Placement	8
II Year		
MSW 12	Introduction to Life Characteristics and challenges	4
MSW 13	Introduction to Psychological Basis of Counselling	4
MSW 14	Relevance of Social Case Work in Counselling	4
MSW 15	Basics of Counselling	4
MSW 16	Fields of Counselling	4
MSWL 48	Social Work Practicum-Ii	8
MSWL 49	Internship	8

List of Courses in Social Work Discipline for Associate Studentship

Course Code	Title of the Course	Credits
MSW 6	Social Work Research	6
MSWE 1	HIV/AIDS : Stigma, Discrimination and Prevention	4
MSW 10	Introduction to Philanthropic Social Work	4
MSW 11	Working Among the Poorest of the Poor	4
MSWE 3	Disaster Management	4

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK (BSW)

Program Objective: This programme is meant for people who are interested in providing professional assistance to people in need.

Program Fee: Rs.12,000/- (Rs. 4,000/- per year)

Medium of Instruction: English & Hindi

Eligibility: 10+2 or its equivalent or BPP from IGNOU

Duration of the programme: Min: 3 Years, Max: 6 Years

Programme Structure: 96 Credits

Course Code	Title of the Course	Credits
I Year		
BSWE 1	Introduction to Social Work (Theory)	8
BSWL 1	Social Work Practicum-1 (Practical)	8
BSHF 101	Foundation Course in Humanities & Social Sciences	8
FEG 1	Foundation Course in English -1	4
or		
FHD 2	Foundation Course in Hindi – 2	4
Modern Indian Language (Choose any one)		
Any one of the Modern Indian Languages MIL worth Four Credits (Choose any one)	Foundation Course in English-2 (FEG 2), Assamese (FAS-1), Bengali (FBG-1), Gujarati (FGT-1), Hindi (BHDF 101), Kannada (FKD-1), Malayalam (FML-1), Marathi (FMT-1), Oriya (FOR-1), Punjabi (FPB-1), Tamil (FTM-1), Telugu (FTG-1), Urdu (FUD-1)	4
II Year		
BSWE 2	Social Work Intervention with Individuals and Groups (Theory)	8
BSWL 2	Social Work Practicum-II (Practical)	8
BSWE 4	Introduction to Family Education (Theory)	8
FST 1	Foundation Course in Social Science and Technology	8
III Year		
BSWE 3	Social Work Intervention with Communities and Institutions (Theory)	8
BSWL 3	Social Work Practicum-III (Practical)	8
BSWE 5	Introduction to HIV/AIDS (Theory)	8
BSWE 6	Substance Abuse and Counselling (Theory)	8

DIPLOMA IN HIV AND FAMILY EDUCATION (DAFÉ)

Program Objective: To provide basic and accurate information about HIV/AIDS, sex and sexuality, family life education, alcohol and drugs and communication and counseling.

Program Fee: Rs.3,000/-

Medium of Instruction: English & Hindi

Eligibility: 10+2 or its equivalent or BPP from IGNOU or Matriculation with higher qualification recognized by Central/State Govt.

Duration of the programme: Min: 1 Years, Max: 4 Years

Programme Structure: 32 Credits

Course Code	Title of the Course	Credits
Compulsory Courses		
BFE 101	Basics of HIV/AIDS	4
BFEE 101	Elective on HIV/AIDS	4
BFE 102	Basics of Family Education	4
BFEE 102	Elective on Family Education	4
BFEE 103	Alcohol, Drugs and HIV	4
BFEE 104	Communication and counseling in HIV	4
BFEP 101	Project Work	8

CERTIFICATE IN HIV AND FAMILY EDUCATION (CAFÉ)

Program Objective: For integrated understanding to the learners about the issues involved in HIV/AIDS, family life education, facts of life and substance abuse.

Program Fee: Rs.1,500/-

Medium of Instruction: English & Hindi

Eligibility: 10+2 or its equivalent or BPP from IGNOU or Matriculation with higher qualification recognized by Central/State Government.

Duration of the programme: Min: 6 months, Max: 2 Years

Programme Structure: 16 Credits

Course Code	Title of the Course	Credits
Compulsory Courses		
BFE 101	Basics of HIV/AIDS	4
BFE 102	Basics of Family Education	4
Elective Courses (Choose any two)		
BFEE 101	Elective on HIV/AIDS	4
BFEE 102	Elective on Family Education	4
BFEE 103	Alcohol, Drugs and HIV	4
BFEE 104	Communication and counselling in HIV	4

LIST OF STUDY CENTRES IN COCHIN REGION OFFERING SOCIAL WORK PROGRAMMES

Sl. no	Code No.	Study Centre Address	Programmes	Contact Details
1	SC-14119	De paul Campus, Angamaly, Ernakulam-683 573	MSW, MSW(C), BSW, CAFÉ, DAFE	Ph: 0484-2454336
2	SC-1406	CMS College, Kottayam-686001	MSW, MSW(C), BSW, CAFÉ, DAFE	Ph: 0481-2583075
3	SC-1480	Bishop Vayalil Memorial Holy Cross College, Pala- 686 584	MSW, MSW(C), BSW, CAFÉ, DAFE	Ph: 04822-2351870

The Study Centre conducts counseling session on weekends for the various programmes. In addition, it offers the following support services to its learners at the Study Centre.

- 1) Pre-admission counseling
- 2) Conduct of Induction meeting for newly registered learners.
- 3) Schedules theory and practical Counseling sessions.
- 4) Arranges audio and video programmes and teleconferencing.
- 5) Organize workshops, seminars, extended contact programmes, field visits, teaching practice etc., depending on the nature of the programme.
- 6) Providing library facility to the learners.
- 7) Evaluation of Assignments and providing feedback to the learners.
- 8) Conducting Term End Examinations and Practical Examinations (in cases where the centre has been identified as an Examination Centre).

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