



UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY, MEGHALAYA
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

Program Name: Masters in Social Work

Course Name: Working with Families: Children, Youth and Aged (MSW 404B) Theory Credit:4

Course Objective: This course enables students to develop an in-depth understanding about children, youth and aged.

The Successful completion of this course shall enable the student

CO1. To understand issues pertaining to children, youth and aged in India and Northeast India.

CO2. To understand the different laws and various government programmes related to children, youth and aged.

CO3. To understand the different laws and programmes for the vulnerable groups.

CO4. To acquire skills for working with families

Course Content:

Unit 1: Issues pertaining to Children, Welfare Policy, Programmes and Acts (15 hrs + 5 hrs)

1.1 Demographic profile of children in India and Northeast India

Issues pertaining to children: Street child; Destitute; Abandoned; Orphaned; Child Labor; Child Trafficking; HIV/AIDS affected and infected children; Child Beggar; Child Prostitution; special problems of girl child.

1.2 Government programs & services for children:

National Policies for children, JJ Act 2016; ICDS; ICPS; SSA; Operation Blackboard; Mid-Day meal; Beti Bachao Beti Padoo; Kishori Shakti Yojana; Girl Child Saving Scheme; Udisa; UJAWALA.

Unit 2: Issues pertaining to Youth and Welfare Policy, Programmes and Acts (18 hrs + 5 hrs)

2.1 Demographic profile of youth in India and Northeast India

Issues pertaining to youth: substance abuse; identity crises; violence; unemployment (shifting economy); single parent household; teen pregnancy; HIV/AIDS; armed conflicts; disability; education; inter-generational relationships.

2.2 Government programmes & services for youth: National Youth Policy 2014; National Programme for Youth and Adolescent Development (NPYAD); Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS); Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD); Pradhan Mantri Kausal Vikas Yojana; SAKSHAM; SABLA.

Unit 3: Issues to Aged and Welfare Policy, Programmes and Acts (15 hrs + 5 hrs)

3.1 Demographic profile of Aged and Welfare policy, Programmes and Acts

3.2 Government programmes & services for aged: Constitutional Provisions; National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP); Indira Gandhi Old Age Pension Scheme (IGNOAPS); Maintenance

and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007.

Unit 4: Social work intervention with children, youth and aged

(15 hrs + 5 hrs)

- 4.1 Family-centered Social work; family therapy; problem solving approach, and developmental approach,
- 4.2 Counseling: Concept, meaning, definition; Types, and stages of counseling; Theories on Counseling; Skills of counseling; Counseling settings– marriage/couple, HIV/AIDS, substance abuse, education/career, sexual abuse, children, aged, youth.

Suggested Reading

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3. Kumari, V. (2004). The Juvenile Justice System in India: From Welfare to Rights. Oxford University Press
4. Choudhury, Aparjita. Carson & Carson, (2006). Family life Education in India, Perspectives, Challenges and Applications. Rawat Publication: Jaipur
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6. Bajpai Asha, (2005). Child Rights in India, Policy and Practice, Oxford University Press, US
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9. Venkatesan, S. (2005). Children with developmental disabilities: a training guide for parents, teachers and caregivers. New Delhi, Sage Publications
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11. Desai, M.M. and Khetani, M.D. (Editors. Morton, I.T. Seicher, Daniel Thursz and Joseph L.) (1979). Intervention Strategies for the Aged in India” In Reaching the Aged- Social Services in Forty-four countries. Vigilantge, Beverly Hills/London; Sage Publications,
12. Hancock, B. L. (1990). Social Work with Older People, New Jersey: Prentice-Hall.
13. Rose S R & Fatout M. (2003). Social Work Practice with Children and Adolescent, Boston: Allyn & Bacon.