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CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF GUJARAT

M.A. in Social Work

School of Social Sciences

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CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF GUJARAT

Central University of Gujarat (CUG) was established by Parliament of India through the Central Universities Act 2009. The main objectives are dissemination and advancement of knowledge creation and sharing. The University is committed to make special provisions for integrated and interdisciplinary courses, to educate and train human resources for the country's development, to initiate appropriate measures for promoting innovation in teaching and learning and to pay special attention to improve the social and economic conditions and welfare of the people, especially pertaining to their intellectual, academic and cultural development.

Under National Institutional Ranking Framework (2016), Central University of Gujarat was ranked as follows:-

- 60th on all India Ranking
- 2nd among Universities in Gujarat
- 2nd among New Central Universities

M. A IN SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM, SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES (SSS)

The M.A in Social Work programme initiated in the year 2017 is a **school level program** offered at School of Social Science, Central University of Gujarat. It aims to train students to constructively engage with the policy makers and public so as to evolve innovative strategies through field action projects and practice based research. The broader objective of this course emanates from the much-felt need of having a *social work perspective* to the various public policies that are generally framed and implemented by governments for citizens' welfare. The uniqueness of this programme is its integration of social work skills and practices *embedded in social sciences* with the objective of rational understanding of policy formulation, monitoring and analysis in the larger governance framework. The course would cover the principles, skills, values and knowledge base of social work along with cutting edge knowledge for public policy and governance. The students graduating in the MA in Social Work would become change agents who connect the policy makers, implementation agencies and the end users of the policies. The course is prepared to produce critical human resource for the government, policy framers, grassroot NGOs engaged in the social development sectors.

The two years M.A in Social Work programme would be of four semesters with 20 credits, including concurrent field work, block field work and research dissertation, with a total of 80 credits across four semesters. In addition to the 80 credits (20 credits of 4 semesters), there would be a compulsory **social work camp (6-10 days)** and a **social**

work tour (8-10 days) with 02 credits each. Apart from the field work courses of social work, the taught courses also would have some components that are field based. Each taught course would have four modules/units with four credits. Within the four credits (60 hours) of a taught course, a maximum of around 20 hours shall be of tutorial sessions.

Courses	Credits
Taught Courses (4 courses *4 credits = 16*4 semesters = 64)	64
Field Based (1 course*4 credits = 4*4 semesters =16)	16
Total = 64 + 16 = 80 credits + 4 credits (2 credits each for social work camp and social work tour, that are essential part of social work experiential learning, thus it is incorporated and credited)	80 credits + 4 credits

OBJECTIVE OF M. A IN SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM, SSS

M.A in Social Work targets to deepen the horizon of the theories and practices of social work through amalgamating the discourses of public policy and governance through embedding in social sciences, with the skills sets and methods of social work for effective social service delivery outcomes for communities. The course hence is prepared to produce young minds with a holistic vision towards public policy and governance, thereby being a change agent, specifically with the social work intervention skill sets for the professional contribution to society.

COURSE OUTLAY OF M. A IN SOCIAL WORK, SSS

SEMESTER I

Sr. No	Course No.	Course Name	Course Code	Credits
1	SOW-401	Historical and Philosophical Foundations of Social Work	Core	4
2	SOW -402	Social Work Practice I: Working with Individuals and Groups	Core	4
3	SOW -403	Social Work Practice II: Community Organisation and Social Action	Core	4
4	SOW -404	Basic Social Sciences- I (basics of sociology and psychology)	Core	4
5	SOW -441	Concurrent Field work with focus on working with community	Others	4
		TOTAL CREDITS		20

SEMESTER II

Sr. No	Course No.	Course Name	Course Code	Credits
1	SOW -451	Social Welfare Administration and New Public Management	Core	4
2	SOW -452	Governance and Social Policy	Core	4
3	SOW -453	Health and Mental Health	Core	4
4	SOW -454	Basic Social Sciences- II (<i>basics of Political studies and Economics</i>)	Core	4
5	SOW -491	Concurrent Field work – in a structured agency based	Others	4
		TOTAL CREDITS		20

Students have to undergo an **academic writing workshop** (non-credited) focusing on Research Proposal development.

SEMESTER III

Sr. No	Course No.	Course Name	Course Code	Credits
1	SOW - 501	Social Work Research	Core	4
2	SOW -502	Development Practices in Urban Rural and Tribal context*	Core	4
3	SOW -503	Criminology and Criminal Justice *	Core	4
4	SOW -504	Social Work Practices with Family Child and Youth*	Core	4
5	SOW -541	Block Field Work with focus on working with ANY of the above three preferably Government Department.	Others	4
6	SOW-542	Social Work Camp	Others	2
		TOTAL CREDITS		20 +2

*The Block Field Work of One Month shall be from ANY ONE of the above three settings. The Block Field Work course (04 credits) is considered as a **compulsory course**.

SEMESTER IV

Sr. No	Course No.	Course Name	Course Code	Credits
1	SOW- 551	Participatory Programme Planning for Development Sector	Core	4
2	SOW-552	Introduction to Human Resources and Employee Relations	Core	4
3	SOW-553	Corporate Social Responsibility	Core	4
4	SOW-571	Policies and Programmes: Microfinance and Livelihood	Optional	4
5	SOW-591	Research Dissertation* with focus on ANY of social work issues	Others	4
6	SOW-592	Social Work Tour	Others	2
		TOTAL CREDITS		20 + 2

*The student is supposed to take up ANY ONE of the Research Study, preferable from the area of the field setting s/he had worked. The Research Dissertation is also considered as **compulsory course** with 04 credits. It will be empirical in nature. Only after the submission and presentation of the research dissertation, the coursework would be considered as complete. The evaluation of the Research Dissertation would be done by the internal supervisor only.

Social Work Camp/Tour	Credits	Evaluation
Social Work Camp (06-10 days) SOW-542	02 Credits	A report to be submitted by the student would be evaluated.
Social Work Tour (8-10 days) SOW-592	02 Credits	A report to be submitted by the student would be evaluated.

BLOCK PLACEMENT

The Objectives of Block Placements are as follows:-

- Enhance awareness of self in the role of a professional social worker
- Develop social work skill and integrate learning.
- Develop greater understanding of reality situations through involvement in day to day work.
- Develop apperception of other's efforts and develop sensitivity to gaps in the programme.
- Understand each area better for making future decisions about the career path and to equip students to take up challenging jobs in various fields of social work.

RESEARCH DISSERTATION

The learner is expected to do a small research dissertation in order to understand the process of doing a research. The research dissertation shall be from one of the field settings as per the course outlay and the study shall be empirical in nature. The details of which shall be spelt out at the field work manual.

FUTURE SCOPE OF M. A IN SOCIAL WORK PROGRAM

Career At NGO's

1. Project Management officer
2. Project Coordinator.
3. Policy Level Think Tanks
4. District Consultant
5. Documentation / Training / Communication Officer
6. Community Development Professional
7. Start Your Own NGO

Career At Government Sector

1. Criminal Justice and Correctional Services
2. Human Rights Commissions
3. Women and Tribal Welfare
4. Hospitals
5. Family, Child and Youth Welfare Service Agencies
6. Education And Research Areas

Career at Industrial sector

1. HR / Personnel / Admin Executive
2. Labour Welfare Officer
3. Counsellor
4. Corporate Social Responsibility Executive

FACILITIES AT CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF GUJARAT

- Central library
- Wi-Fi and computer lab
- Health facility
- Placement cell
- Sport and games
- Cultural activities
- Canteen facility
- Transportation facility
- Earn while you learn scheme
- Remedial program for SC/ST/OBC/NCL/MC



FEES

Fees of M.A in Social Work program for the 2 years (4 semesters) is one of the **lowest** in the state of **Gujarat**.

		Differently Abled	
M. A in Social Work (1st Semester)	Rs. 6125	2475	
M. A in Social Work (2nd Semester)	Rs. 2650	200	
M. A in Social Work (3rd Semester)	Rs. 3350	900	
M. A in Social Work (4th Semester)	Rs. 2650	200	
TOTAL	Rs. 14775	3775	(Rs 1500 refundable at the end of the course)

* Please note that the fees are subject to change as per the direction of the University Authorities

* For Differently Abled: Fee Waiver (Tuition Fee, Admission Fee, Registration Fee, Enrolment Fee & Examination Fee)

ELIGIBILITY

Bachelor's degree in any discipline

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