



GIRIJANANDA CHOWDHURY UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK – BSW PROGRAMME

REVISED COURSE STRUCTURE – MARCH 2024

Agenda 7.3: Revised Course Structure of BSW Programme was presented and discussed in the Board of Studies meeting held on 18.3.24.

PROGRAMME OUTCOMES (PO)

The students on completion of the undergraduate programme shall:

1. Demonstrate a thorough understanding of foundational concepts and awareness of societal challenges.
2. Apply knowledge-based ideas and quantitative and qualitative approaches to address complex real-world concerns.
3. Develop research skills, identifying problems, reviewing literature, and analyzing issues efficiently.
4. Employ interdisciplinary approaches, explore various perspectives, and reach evidence-based conclusions.
5. Effectively communicate and use ICT in a variety of academic and professional settings.
6. Foster critical thinking, creativity, and innovation, as well as language literacy, for the goal of professional development and career advancement.
7. Incorporate moral standards, ethical ideals, and cultural sensitivity to promote diversity and empathy towards marginalized communities.

8. Acquire knowledge of global literary traditions, new literary developments, and their continuous influence on cultures throughout the world.
9. Promote environmental responsibility in support of sustainable development goals.
10. Pursue lifelong learning and foster a scientific mindset to generate new knowledge.

PROGRAMME SPECIFIC OUTCOMES (PSO) – BSW

The graduates of social work shall be able to:

1. Develop a conceptual understanding of social work methods, theories and interventions that promote continuous learning and professional growth.
2. Integrate relevant skills, values and ethics of the profession contributing to holistic development.
3. Critically analyze social realities and concerns through systematic research arriving at evidence-based conclusions.
4. Foster sensitivity and empathy and develop consciousness towards environment and sustainable development.

**COURSE STRUCTURE OF BSW (FOUR YEAR UG COURSE)
A. CREDIT DISTRIBUTION**

| Sem | Core (Major) | Core (Minor) | Multidisciplinary (MDC)* | AEC* | SEC* | VAC* | Internship /diss. | Credits | Exit Option |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|------|------|------|--|------------|--|
| I | 4 | 4+4 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | - | 22 | Certificate** |
| II | 4 | 4+4 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | - | 22 | |
| III | 4 | 4+4 | 3 | 2 | 3 | - | - | 20 | Diploma** |
| IV | 16 | - | - | 2 | - | 2 | - | 20 | |
| V | 16 | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 20 | Degree (with Single Major and/or Minor /Double Major in Discipline(s)) |
| VI | 20 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 20 | |
| Total | | | | | | | | 124 | End of 3rd Year |
| VII | 8 | 4 + 4 | - | - | - | - | Research Project Part I (4) / 1 DSCC Course (4)*** | 20 | Degree Honours with Research/Without Research (With Single Major and Minor(s) /Double Major) in Discipline(s) |
| VIII | 12 | - | - | - | - | - | Research Project Part II (8) / 2 DSCC Courses (4+4) **** Internship (2) | 22 | |
| Total | | | | | | | | 166 | End of 4th Year |

NOTE:

A)

* Students have to choose one course from the pool of courses offered under MDC, AEC, SEC and VAC.

** Students opting to exit from the programme at the end of 1st/2nd year, need to undertake a compulsory Internship/Vocational Programme carrying 4 credits.

*** Students not opting for Research Project Part I have to undertake one Major course of 4 credits.

**** Students not opting for Research Project Part II have to undertake two major courses of 4 credits each.

B).

i). AEC, SEC & VAC courses are constructed centrally for the university for all the disciplines and across all the schools wherever it is applicable.

ii). MDC courses are constructed by individual departments for the specific school of studies and are offered together in a common basket.

B. LIST OF MAJOR PAPERS IN SOCIAL WORK

| S.No | Semester | Course |
|------|----------|---|
| 1 | I | Foundations of Social Work Profession |
| 2 | II | Social Work Methods and Fields of Practice |
| | | Field Visits to NGOs |
| 3 | III | Social Work Practice with Communities |
| 4 | IV | Social Case Work |
| 5 | | Sociological and Psychological Foundations for Social Work |
| 6 | | Field Work Practicum I |
| 7 | | Community Development - Rural and Tribal / Family Centered Social Work Practice / Dimensions of Health |
| 8 | V | Social Group Work |
| 9 | | Social Action and Social Legislations |
| 10 | | Field Work Practicum II |
| 11 | | Urban Development and Governance / Social Work Practice with Children and Youth / Introduction to Mental Health |
| | | Rural Practicum - One Week placement in the Rural Community - (Compulsory Group Activity) |
| 12 | VI | Social Welfare Administration and NGO Management |
| 13 | | Social Work Research and Statistics |
| 14 | | Field Work Practicum III |
| 15 | | Sustainable Development |
| 16 | | Community Development Practice with Vulnerable Communities / Rights of Women and Children / Social Work in Medical and Psychiatric Settings |
| 17 | | Counselling Skills for Social Work Practice/Research Project Part I |
| 18 | VII | Field Work Practicum IV |
| 19 | | Research Methodology |
| 19 | VIII | Integrated Approach and Challenges in Social Work Practice |
| 20 | | Community Health |
| 21 | | Field Work Practicum V |
| 22 | | Social Work and Entrepreneurship / Research Project Part II |
| 23 | | Gender and Social Work / Research Project Part II |
| | | Block Placement for one month in an organization (Individual/Group Placement) |

C. LIST OF MINOR PAPERS OFFERED IN SOCIAL WORK (FOR STUDENTS OF OTHER DISCIPLINES)

| S.No | Semester | Course | L-T-P |
|-------------|-----------------|--|--------------|
| 1 | I | Foundations of Social Work Profession | 4-0-0 |
| 2 | I | Human Rights and Social Work | 4-0-0 |
| 3 | II | Social Work Methods and Fields of Practice | 4-0-0 |
| 4 | II | Disability and Social Work | 4-0-0 |
| 5 | III | Social Work Practice with Communities | 4-0-0 |
| 6 | III | Participatory Approaches in Social Work | 3-0-2 |
| 7 | VII | Public Health / Social Work with the Elderly | 4-0-0 |
| 8 | VII | Social Policy, Planning and Development / School Social Work | 4-0-0 |

LIST OF ELECTIVES OFFERED IN SOCIAL WORK

Electives

Group 1 - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- Community Development - Rural and Urban
- Urban Development and Governance
- Community Development Practice with Vulnerable Communities

Group 2 - MEDICAL AND PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORK

- Dimensions of Health
- Introduction to Mental Health
- Social work in Medical and Psychiatric Settings

Group 3 - FAMILY AND CHILD WELFARE

- Family Centered Social Work Practice
- Social Work Practice with Children and Youth
- Rights of Women and Children

D. LIST OF ELECTIVES OFFERED IN SOCIAL WORK

| Semester | Course | L-T-P |
|----------|---|-------|
| IV | Community Development - Rural and Tribal / Dimensions of Health / Family Centered Social Work Practice | 4-0-0 |
| V | Urban Development and Governance / Introduction to Mental Health / Social Work Practice with Children and Youth | 4-0-0 |
| VI | Community Development Practice with Vulnerable Communities / Social work in Medical and Psychiatric Settings / Rights of Women and Children | 4-0-0 |

E. LIST OF MULTI DISCIPLINARY COURSES OFFERED IN SOCIAL WORK

| S.No | Semester | Course | L-T-P |
|------|----------|--------------------------|-------|
| 1 | II | Basic Counselling Skills | 3-0-0 |
| 2 | III | Youth Development | 3-0-0 |

YEAR – 1

| First Semester | | | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| Code | Course | Category of Course | L-T-P | Total Credits |
| BSW23100T | Foundations of Social Work Profession | Major/Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| | Minor from other Disciplines | Minor | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| | Minor from other Disciplines | Minor | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| | Multidisciplinary - I | MD | 3-0-0 | 3 |
| | English/ MIL/Foreign Language | AEC | 2-0-0 | 2 |
| | Skill Enhancement Course - I | SEC | 3-0-0 | 3 |
| | Value Added Course - I | VAC | 2-0-0 | 2 |
| Total Credits (Sem I) | | | | 22 |

| Second Semester | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| Code | Course | Category of Course | L-T-P | Total Credits |
| BSW23102T | Social Work Methods and Fields of Practice | Major/ Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| | Minor from other Disciplines | Minor | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| | Minor from other Disciplines | Minor | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| | Multidisciplinary - II | MD | 3-0-0 | 3 |
| | English/ MIL/Foreign Language | AEC | 2-0-0 | 2 |
| | Skill Enhancement Course - II | SEC | 3-0-0 | 3 |
| | Value Added Course - II | VAC | 2-0-0 | 2 |
| | | Field Visits to NGOs | | |
| Total Credits (Sem II) | | | | 22 |

EXIT OPTION WITH CERTIFICATION. However, such students who desire to exit after 1 year of study need to undertake a vocational course (4 credits).

YEAR – 2

| Third Semester | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| Code | Course | Category of Course | L-T-P | Total Credits |
| BSW23200T | Social Work Practice with Communities | Major/Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| | Minor from other Disciplines | Minor | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| | Minor from other Disciplines | Minor | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| | Multidisciplinary - III | MD | 3-0-0 | 3 |
| | English/ MIL/Foreign Language | AEC | 2-0-0 | 2 |
| | Skill Enhancement Course - III | SEC | 3-0-0 | 3 |
| Total Credits (Sem III) | | | | 20 |

| Fourth Semester | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| Code | Course | Category of Course | L-T-P | Total Credits |
| BSW23202T | Social Case Work | Major/ Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| BSW23203T | Sociological and Psychological Foundations for Social Work | Major/Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| BSW23204P | Field Work Practicum I (two days fieldwork in a week) | Major /Core | 0-0-8 | 4 |
| BSW23220T/ BSW23221T/ BSW23222T | Community Development - Rural and Tribal / Family Centered Social Work Practice / Dimensions of Health | Major/Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| | English/ MIL/Foreign Language | AEC | 2-0-0 | 2 |
| | Value Added Course - IV | VAC | 2-0-0 | 2 |
| Total Credits (Sem IV) | | | | 20 |

EXIT OPTION WITH DIPLOMA. However, such students who desire to exit after 2 years of study need to undertake a vocational course (4 credits).

YEAR – 3

| Fifth Semester | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| Code | Course | Category of Course | L-T-P | Total Credits |
| BSW23300T | Social Group Work | Major/Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| BSW23301T | Social Action and Social Legislations | Major/Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| BSW23302P | Field Work Practicum II (two days fieldwork in a week) | Major/Core | 0-0-8 | 4 |
| BSW23320T/ BSW23321T/ BSW23322T | Urban Development and Governance / Social Work Practice with Children and Youth / Introduction to Mental Health | Major/Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| BSW23303P | Rural Practicum - One Week placement in the Rural Community - (Compulsory Group Activity) | Practicum | 0-0-4 | 2 |
| BSW23400R | Internship | Internship | 0-0-4 | 2 |
| Total Credits (Sem V) | | | | 20 |

| Sixth Semester | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| Code | Course | Category of Course | L-T-P | Total Credits |
| BSW23304T | Social Welfare Administration and NGO Management | Major/Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| BSW23305T | Social Work Research and Statistics | Major/Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| BSW23306P | Field Work Practicum III (two days fieldwork in a week) | Major/Core | 0-0-8 | 4 |
| BSW23307T | Sustainable Development | Major/Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| BSW23323T/ BSW23324T/ BSW23325T | Community Development Practice with Vulnerable Communities / Rights of Women and Children / Social work in Medical and Psychiatric Settings | Major/Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| | Study Tour (10 days) | | | |
| Total Credits (Sem VI) | | | | 20 |

EXIT OPTION WITH GRADUATION. Students who want to undertake 3-year BSW programme will be awarded BSW Degree in the field of study

YEAR – 4**Seventh Semester**

| Code | Course | Category of Course | L-T-P | Total Credits |
|--------------------------------|--|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| BSW23403R | Research Methodology | Major/Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| BSW23402P | Field Work Practicum (two days fieldwork in a week) | Major/Core | 0-0-8 | 4 |
| | Minor Elective from other Disciplines | Minor Elective | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| | Minor Elective from other Disciplines | Minor Elective | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| BSW23403R | Research Project Part I (for BSW Hons with Research) | Major/Core | 0-0-8 | 4 |
| OR | | | | |
| BSW23401T | Counselling Skills for Social Work Practice (for BSW Hons without Research) | Major/Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| Total Credits (Sem VII) | | | | 20 |

Eighth Semester

| Code | Course | Category of Course | L-T-P | Total Credits |
|---|---|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| BSW23404T | Integrated Approach and Challenges in Social Work Practice | Major/Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| BSW23405T | Community Health | Major/Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| BSW23406P | Field Work Practicum (two days fieldwork in a week) | Major/Core | 0-0-8 | 4 |
| BSW23407R | Block Placement for one month in an organization (Individual/Group Placement) | Internship | 0-0-4 | 2 |
| BSW23408R | Research Project Part II (for BSW Hons with Research) | Major/Core | 0-0-16 | 8 |
| OR | | | | |
| BSW23409T | Social Work and Entrepreneurship (for BSW Hons without Research) | Major/Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| BSW23410T | Gender and Social Work (for BSW Hons without Research) | Major/Core | 4-0-0 | 4 |
| Total Credits (Sem VIII) | | | | 22 |
| Students will be awarded BSW Degree (Honours) with or without Research provided they secure 166 credits | | | | |

