

MSWE307 : INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL WORK

Objectives

1. To help students know and compare the developments in the field of social welfare and social work cross-culturally; and,
2. To critically examine the implications of these developments in strengthening one's own knowledge and practice base for interdisciplinary and innovative forms of social intervention.

Course Contents

1. Social Work tradition across cultures.
2. Demographic Change and societal needs.
3. Social and technological change and their impact on societies.
4. Tradition, modernity and post-modern features of societies, globalisation and its impact on social, economic, ecological, cultural and political domains.
5. Emergence and retreat of Welfare State – universal and selective services; structural adjustment and need for social safety net. Trends in social services budgets of States in industrially developed and developing countries, features of social and economic development. Professionalisation of social work across the world
6. Societal needs and social responses .
7. Social, service institutions, profit and non - profit organisation, locality development, community and grassroots organising, private practice in social work. Emerging concerns in social work and welfare violence, peace, substance abuse , AIDS, social exclusion participation, and poverty. Social development – comparative study across countries.
8. Innovations in social welfare and social work in response specific needs.
9. Partnership in social welfare – interdisciplinary approach, role of volunteers, professionals, social activists and citizens, National and International Associations.
10. Promotion of social work and social welfare through the UN system. Comparative review of social work practice, theory education and training.

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9. *International Social Security Bulletin*, International
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11. *Journal of Social Work Practice*
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13. Other references include Reports of UNICEF, UNDP, WHO, ILO, UNESCO, APASWE, etc.
14. *Foster Care*
15. *Social Service Budgets*
16. *Global Summit Reports*