

Tribhuvan University
Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

Bachelor of Arts in Social Work (BASW)
Courses of Study 2019

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Bachelor of Arts in Social Work

Bachelor of Arts in Social Work is a four year academic program under Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences of Tribhuvan University. Major aim of this program is to produce generalist social workers to fulfill the need of contemporary Nepal as well as the world. In order to achieve this goal, it offers altogether 8 papers including compulsory field work, research work, academic writing and report writing courses in different semesters. These courses, apart from core courses of social work, also include various required courses from related disciplines, and some optional courses in the third and fourth year including some specialization courses. In addition, there are few compulsory courses such as Nepali, English, Nepal Studies, ~~Research and Academic Writing~~.

Objectives

The overall objective of the courses of bachelor level is to impart up-to-date knowledge of the basic theories and methods of Social Work to the students along with skills developed through intensive field-work. The main objective is to provide general skilled human resources for social work in the context of Nepal. In addition, it also aims to inculcate in the students the spirit of human rights and social justice. Thus, the overall objective of this level is to produce skilled human resource through developing professional skills among the students of this discipline at a par with those of other countries.

In specific the bachelor level Social Work program aims to develop the following:

- Understanding of the basic concepts of Social Work; principles, methods, and practice.
- Carry out research to identify the problems faced by the community people and possible solutions to those problems.
- Developing ability to identify major social problems in the context they are situated.
- Managing and utilizing the service system to solve the problem among those affected people.
- Developing self-awareness in relation to one's own capability responding to problem situations.



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Admission Criteria

A student holding a higher secondary level degree (+2, PCL or any) in any of the subjects recognized by Tribhuvan University is considered eligible to apply for admission at bachelor level.

An applicant seeking admission to Bachelor in Social Work may appear in an Entrance Examination, if provisioned, of one hour's duration conducted by the Office of the Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Tribhuvan University or managed by Department of Social Work. The students who pass the Entrance Examination, if provisioned, will get an opportunity of getting admission in the campus/college of their choice if possible, otherwise he/she will be assigned to a particular campus/college. The applicant who fails to appear in the Entrance Examination or to obtain a minimum qualifying score will not be given admission. Admission of the students will be based strictly on the merit list and on the enrollment quota; as per rule of FOHSS, TU, based on approval provided to the Campus/College through Dean's Office. However, Dean's Office in coordination with Department of Social Work may apply any relevant and feasible policy for enrollment in BASW.

Course Effective Date

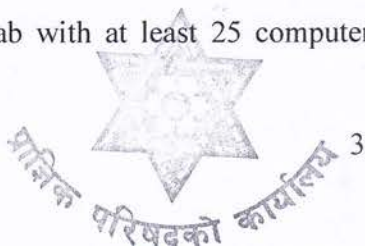
This course of BASW will be implemented as soon as the course is approved by the concerned authority of Tribhuvan University. After the implementation of 4 years BASW program there won't be three years BA program running under FOHSS, TU.

Duration of the Course and Examinations

The duration of the course is of four academic years. There will be a final examination, in each year, at the end of each year. Regularity of the students will be mandatory to be eligible to appear in the internal as well as final examination.

Approval Criteria for Implementing BASW Program

Since the BASW is four years' annual program it requires some pre-conditions to run this program. At least 3 faculties with MSW or equivalent degree approved by Tribhuvan University and a Computer Lab with at least 25 computers are the necessary pre-conditions to run this program.



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Distribution of Courses by Year

First Year

Paper	Code No.	Title of Course	Full Marks	Remarks
1.	SW 421	Introduction to Social Work	100	Required
2.	SW 422	Basic Sociology for Social Work	100	

Second Year

Paper	Code No.	Title of Course	Full Marks	Remarks
3.	SW 423	Basic Psychology for Social Work	100	Required
4.	SW 424A	Social Case Work Practice	50	
	SW 424B	Social Work Practice with Groups	50	

Third Year*

Paper	Code No.	Title of Course	Full Marks	Remarks
5.	SW 425A	Community Organization(Practical)	50	Required
6.	SW425B	Development and Social Work(Practical)	50	Required
7.	SW 410	Social Policy and Welfare	100	Elective

Fourth Year*

Paper	Code No.	Title of Course	Full Marks	Remarks
8.	SW 426	Research Method and Academic Writing	100	Required
9.	SW 427	Indigenous Social Work Practice of Nepal(Practical)	100	

Note: There will be two practical courses (social work practice) in the third and fourth year. The overall practical hours for social work practice will exceed 450 hours at bachelor level. It will

fulfill the requirement of field work for the development of professional social work skills among students so that they can work as generalist social worker within and beyond Nepal.

Evaluation

Evaluation will be on the basis of 30 percent internal and 70 percent external. Thirty percent internal evaluation will be done by the Social Work Department/Campus on the basis of the social work practice in the field/community guided through social work theories and methods.

The 70 percent external evaluation will be done by the Dean's office through Controller of Examinations, Tribhuvan University which will be written examination. However, in case of practical courses the external examination of 70 percent will also be evaluated practically by the department/Campus under the coordination of Department of Social Work and FOHSS, TU.



First Year

SW421: Introduction to Social Work

(Theory and Practical)

Teaching hours: 100+50=150

Course Description:

Full Marks: 70+30=100

This paper is about the basic knowledge of social work as its introduction to students. It primarily focused on contents that help to be generalist social work practitioner. The course develops from the focus of social work as a profession from the very beginning of its roots. This course also deals with the western and eastern philosophy of social work as a profession. These all contents are expected to build up the capacity and the ability of students in the field of indigenous social work practice in the world in general and in Nepali context in particular.

Course Objective

1. To introduce students with the basics of social work discipline,
2. To enable the students to realize the mission of social work and its role in producing professional social worker,
3. To enable the students to understand and perceive the code of ethics and principles required to practice social work, and
4. To identify and analyze the contemporary issues in social work discourses

Course Contents

Unit I: Introduction of Social Work

(20 LH)

a. Concept of Social Work:

- Social Work as an independent discipline
- Social work as a profession
- Basic elements and goals of social work practice
- Fields of social work practice
- Role of social workers

b. Mission of Social Work

- Preventive



- Curative
- c. Relationship of social work with other disciplines of social sciences – Sociology, anthropology, history, political science, economics

Unit II: The Profession of Social Work: History, Perspectives and Methods (20 LH)

a. The emergence of social work as a profession

- Historical antecedents
- Social work practice (academic and professional) in:
 - United Kingdom
 - United States of America
 - Australia
 - India
 - Nepal

b. Social work, social systems and social work perspectives

- Ecosystems perspective
- Four Practice systems- Client, Action, Target and Change agent system
- Levels of Intervention – Micro, Mezzo and Macro Level

c. Social Work methodology

- Primary Methods : Casework, Groupwork, Community Organization
- Secondary Methods : Social Action, Social Welfare Organization, Social Work Research

d. Social Service delivery systems

- Social service settings
- Funding for services
- Service delivery issues

Unit III: Social Work Values and Ethics

(10LH)

- Values and Ethics defined
- Foundation of professional social work values
- IFSW and NASW code of Ethics



- Ethical Dilemmas in social work practice

Unit IV: Ethical principles for social work

(10 LH)

- Principles of Social work Practice
 - Acceptance
 - Confidentiality
 - Controlled emotional involvement
 - Individualization
 - Non-judgmental Attitudes
 - Purposeful expression of feelings
 - Self determination

Unit V: Empowering processes for social work practice

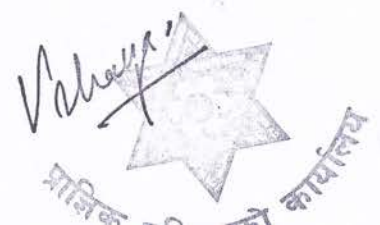
(15 LH)

- Intake,
- Assessment,
- Planning,
- Intervention,
- Evaluation,
- Integrating gains/termination,
- Follow-up

Unit VI: Contemporary issues in Social work

(15 LH)

- Social work in Public domain : poverty, homelessness, hunger, unemployment; divorce;
- Social work in Health, Social Rehabilitation and Mental Health
- Social work with families and youth
- Social work with Older Adults and Persons with disabilities: Elderly people and Disable people
- Social work and Criminal Justice: girls trafficking, drug cases,
- Education and School Social Work



Unit VII: Social Work Practice in Nepal

(10 LH)

- Scope
- Institutional practice of social work
- Structure of social work practice
- Present practice of social work – Voluntary Social work and Professional Social work
- Social work education – Initiation of social work as a discipline.
- Opportunities and challenges in the area of social work

Unit VIII: Practical (Social Work Practice)

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Teaching faculty will plan for this practical work as per the availability of financial resources and feasibility of field work to be carried out related to social work practice. Faculty will make a single group or a number of groups based on the number of students studying. Each group will go to community/society and will carry out field work of 50 hours and will prepare a field work or project work report as the social work practice in the community. There will be a supervisor who will guide/supervisor the overall field work/case work/community/organization work. The student will present this report in the viva-voce organized by the department/campus at end of academic year. This viva-voce including the report submitted by the student will be the basis of final evaluation of 30 marks allocated for the practical of social work practice.

Essential Readings

- **Unit I**
 - Bhattacharya, Sanjay (2008). Social Work: An Integrated Approach. Deep and Deep Publication, New Delhi.
 - Bisno, Herbert – The Philosophy of Social Work.
- **Unit II**
 - Friedlender, W.A. (1958) – Concept & Methods of Social Work, Eaglewood Cliffs: Prentice – Hall.
 - Milly, K.K., O.Melia, M. and Dubois, B. (2007). Generalist Social Work Practice– An empowering approach, New York: Pearson, Allyon & Bacon.
- **Unit III**

- Congress, E.P. (1998) – Social Work Values and Ethics, Chicago: Nelson – Hull Publishers
- Banks, S. (1995) – Ethics and Values in Social Work: Practical Social Work Series, London: Macmillan Press Ltd.
- **Unit IV**
 - IFSW and NASW code of Ethics, 2012
- **Unit V**
 - Bertlett, Harriett (1970) – The Common Base of Social Work Practice, National Association of Social Workers, 2 Park Avenue, N.Y.
 - Dubois, Brenda & Miley, Karla Krogsrud – Social Work: An Empowering Profession, Boston: Allyn and Bacon.
- **Unit VI**
 - Karen kay kirst-Ashman et al. (2012) Understanding Generalist practice, Belmont CA, United States of America
 - Adhikari, Dilli ram (2001) An Introduction to social work, Kathmandu, Nepal
- **Unit VII**
 - Shrestha, S. K (2013) Introduction to social work, Tajelu Publication, Kathmandu
 - Yadav, R.K (2012) Integrated social work, Amisha-shivanshi Distributors, Kathmandu



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SW422: Basic Sociology for Social Work
(Theory and Practical)

Teaching hours: 100+50=150

Course Description:

Full Marks: 70+30=100

The paper has been designed to familiarize the students with the basics of sociology which are essential to be social worker and enable them to comprehend and analyze social relationship, social structure, social system, social stratification, social change, social institutions, social processes and social problems in the context of Nepal. The course also deals with the applied Sociology that helps the students to work in the field of social work as professional social workers in future.

Course objectives:

This course aims to enable the students:

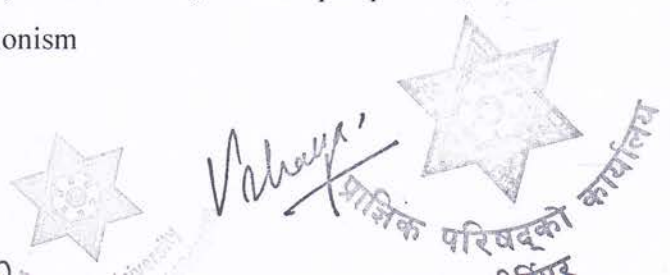
- To comprehend the basic sociological concepts,
- To understand and apply the basic theoretical perspectives on social relationship, social structure, social institutions, social change, social stratification, social problems, etc. in the context of Nepal,
- To identify and analyze the social problems in contemporary Nepal,
- To develop the skill related to applied sociology in solving social problems.

Detail Course Contents:

Unit I: What is Sociology?

[10 LH]

- Developing a sociological outlook: studying sociology
- How can sociology help us in our lives? Awareness of cultural differences; assessing the effects of policies; self-enlightenment
- The development of sociological thinking; early theorists; Auguste Comte; Emile Durkheim; Karl Marx; Max Weber
- More recent sociological perspectives; functionalism, conflict perspective, social action perspectives; symbolic interactionism
- Sociology and social work



Unit II: Individual, Society and Culture

[15 LH]

- Culture and behavior
- Norms and values
- Status and roles
- Social change

Unit III: Social Interaction and Everyday Life

[15 LH]

- The study of daily life
- Non-verbal communication
- The social rules of interaction
- Face, body and speech in interaction
- Interaction in time and space
- Interaction, groups and organization

Unit IV: Families, Socialization, the life-Course and Ageing

[15 LH]

- The family in history
- Families and intimate relationships in Nepal
- Culture, society and child socialization
- Gender socialization
- Socialization through the life-course

Unit V: Health, Illness and Disability

[10 LH]

- The sociology of body
- The social basis of health
- The sociology of disability

Unit VI: Social Institutions

[15 LH]

- The economy and work
- Politics and government
- Marriage and family
- Religion: belief
- Education

- Health and medicine

Unit VII: Social Stratification and Inequality

[10 LH]

- Stratification
- Caste, class, gender, region based inequality

Unit VIII: Application of Sociology in Social Work

[10 LH]

- Identifying social problems: urban crime; suburban crime; gang violence; juvenile delinquency; mental health, poverty, unemployment, etc.
- Applied sociology in practice: identification, assessment, planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of projects

Unit VIII: Practical Activities (Social work practice)

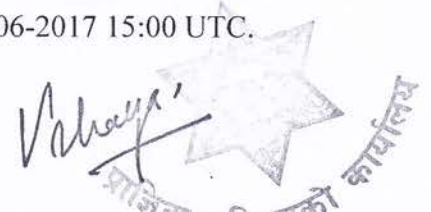
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Teaching faculty will divide the students into a number of groups and will assign them writing report/paper, as project work, either based on field work or secondary/archival resources focusing on social institutions; family, marriage, economy, social inequality, social change, etc. Each group of students will submit an independent research report/paper analyzed through sociological perspective under the guidance of assigned faculty in the format provided by the department/campus. The student will present this report in the viva-voce organized by the department/campus at end of academic year. This viva-voce including the report submitted by the student will be the basis of final evaluation of 30 marks allocated to this practicum.

References:

Unit I

- Giddens, Anthony. 2004. *Sociology*. 4th Edition. Chapter 1. Pp. 1-19. UK: Blackwell Publishers.
- Curry, Tim, Jiobu, Robert and Schwirian, Kent. 2008. *Sociology for the Twenty First Century*. Fifth Edition. Chapter 1, pp. 1-19. New Jersey: Pearson Prentice Hall.
- Ogundipe, Ayodele & Edewor, Patrick. 2012. Sociology and Social Work in Nigeria: Characteristics, Collaborations and Differences. *African Sociological Review / Revue Africaine de Sociologie*, Vol. 16, No. 2 (2012), pp. 40-55. Published by: CODESRIA Stable URL: <http://www.jstor.org/stable/afrisocirevi.16.2.40> Accessed: 29-06-2017 15:00 UTC.



Unit II

Haralambos, M. & Holborn, M. 1995. *Sociology: Themes and Perspectives*. Fourth Edition. Chapter 1. Pp. 3-7. London: Collins Educational.

Curry, Tim, Jiobu, Robert and Schwirian, Kent. 2008. *Sociology for the Twenty First Century*. Fifth Edition. Chapter 6, pp. 140-169. New Jersey: Pearson Prentice Hall.

Unit III

Giddens, Anthony. 2006. *Sociology*. 5th Edition. Chapter 5. Pp. 126-159. First Indian Reprint. UK: Polity Press.

Curry, Tim, Jiobu, Robert and Schwirian, Kent. 2008. *Sociology for the Twenty First Century*. Fifth Edition. Chapter 6, pp. 140-169. New Jersey: Pearson Prentice Hall.

Unit IV

Giddens, Anthony. 2006. *Sociology*. 5th Edition. Chapter 6. Pp. 160-201. First Indian Reprint. UK: Polity Press.

Curry, Tim, Jiobu, Robert and Schwirian, Kent. 2008. *Sociology for the Twenty First Century*. Fifth Edition. Chapter 4, pp. 82-107. New Jersey: Pearson Prentice Hall.

Unit V

Giddens, Anthony. 2006. *Sociology*. 5th Edition. Chapter 8. Pp. 250-291. First Indian Reprint. UK: Polity Press.

Unit VI

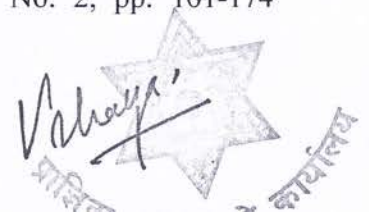
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Unit VII

Giddens, Anthony. 2004. *Sociology*. 4th Edition. Chapter 1. Pp. 1-19. UK: Blackwell Publishers.

Unit VIII

Lees, Ray & Lees, Sue. 1975. Social Science in Social Work Practice: The Case for an Action Research Approach. *The British Journal of Social Work*, Vol. 5, No. 2, pp. 161-174



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Ballantine, Jeanne. 1989. Developing Applied Content in Sociology Courses. *Journal of Applied Sociology*, Vol. 6 (1989), pp. 89-94 Published by: Sage Publications, Inc. Stable URL: <http://www.jstor.org/stable/43481313> Accessed: 29-06-2017 15:01 UTC.



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SW423: Basic Psychology for Social Work

(Theory and Practical)

Full Marks: 100 (70+30)

Teaching hours: 150 (100+50)

Course Description

This course will introduce the students about the fundamental concepts of psychology. It has been designed to make students familiar with the basic psychological concepts, processes and its scope and fields particularly relevant to social work practice.

Course Objectives:

1. To introduce students with basic psychological concepts and processes regarding human behavior.
2. To help students find relevant application of psychology in social work practice.
3. To make student find areas of their interest for further exploration

Unit I: Introduction to Psychology

(20 hrs.)

- a. Definition and Scope of Psychology
- b. Branches and Fields of Psychology – Clinical, Educational, Social, Community, Developmental.
- c. Major theoretical orientations in Psychology (Biological, Psychodynamic, Behaviorist, Cognitive, Evolutionary, Humanistic)

Unit II: Determinants of human behavior

(20 hrs.)

- a) Biological determinants: Genetics, Nervous System and Glandular System
- b) Social-cultural determinants: Family, Neighborhood, School, Work, Norms etc.

Unit III: Basic Psychological Concepts

(25 hrs.)

- a) Sensation and Perception
- b) Emotions and Motivation
- c) Memory and Forgetting
- d) Learning



- e) Intelligence
- f) Personality, Values and Attitude

Unit IV: Application of Psychology in Social Work

(35 hrs.)

- a) Psychopathology, Mental Health and the Psychosocial: Meaning and Definition, Causes of Psychopathology and Varieties, Concept of Health, Mental Health and Psychosocial Wellbeing
- b) Developmental Hazards and Adjustment: Age related physical and psychological changes, Developmental Tasks, Hazards and Adjustments
- c) Stress, Coping and Well being: Meaning and Definition, Types of Stress and Coping, Causes and Management of Stress, Psychology of Well being.
- d) Positive Psychology and Happiness: Strength based approach, Subjective Well Being, Positive Thinking
- e) Psychology of Child, adolescence, elderly people: Problems, Prevention and Support

Unit V: Practical (Social Work Practice)

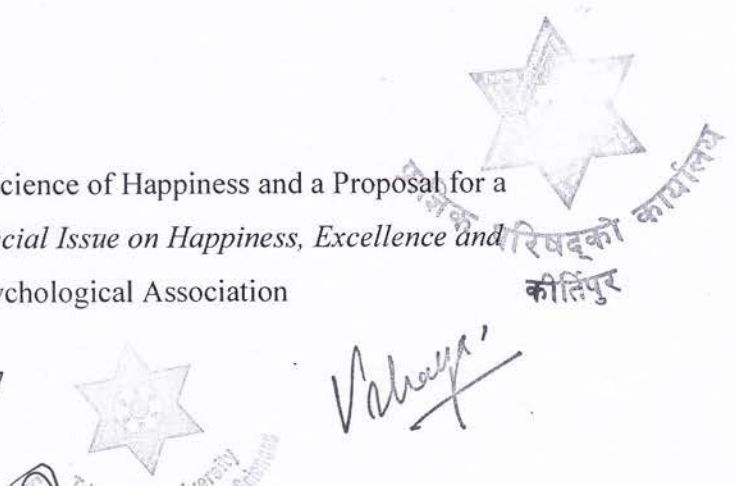
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Teaching faculty will plan for this practical work as per the availability of financial resources and feasibility of field work to be carried out related to psychology such as psycho-social analysis. Faculty will make a single group or a number of groups based on the number of students studying. Each group will go to community/society and will carry out field work of 50 hours and will prepare a field work or project work report as the social work practice in the community. There will be a supervisor who will guide/supervisor the overall field work/case work/community/organization work. The student will present this report in the viva-voce organized by the department/campus at end of academic year. This viva-voce including the report submitted by the student will be the basis of final evaluation of 30 marks allocated for the practical of social work practice.

Readings

Baron, R.A. (1999). *Psychology*. Allyn & Bacon

Diener, E. (2000). Subjective Well-Being, The Science of Happiness and a Proposal for a National Index. *American Psychologist, Special Issue on Happiness, Excellence and Optimal Human Functioning*. American Psychological Association



Feldman, R. S (2014). *Essentials of Understanding psychology*. 11 th Edition, Delhi: TATA McGraw-Hill.

Hurlock, E. (2007). *Developmental Psychology; life span approach*, 5th ed., 39th reprint

Niraula, S. (2011). *General Psychology: With O.B. Emphasis*. Buddha Academic Enterprises.

Nicolson, P. and Bayne, R. (1984). *Applied Psychology for Social Workers*. London: British Association of Social Workers.

Regmi, M.P. and Dhakal, S.(2007) *General psychology: Organizational Applications*. Quest Publication

Seligman, M. and Csikszentmihalyi, M. (2000). Positive Psychology, An Introduction. *American Psychologist, Special Issue on Happiness, Excellence and Optimal Human Functioning*. American Psychological Association.

Subba, S. and Bhatt, K. (2010). *Invitation to psychology*. Psychosocial Multiservice, Pvt. Ltd.

ARC Resource Pack Study Material Foundation Module 7 Psychosocial Support
(<http://www.arc-online.org>)

Golightley, M. (2014). *Social Work and Mental Health*, Chapter II.

SW424A: Social Case Work Practice
(Theory + Practical)

Full Marks: 50 (35+15)

Teaching hours: 75 (50+25)

Course Description

The course is designed to enhance the basic generalized theoretical knowledge in the perspective of professional casework. The course tries to give a theoretical framework to guide the knowledge, skill and attitude of students. The course is more practical and skill oriented which helps and prepares students to meet the need of different human service organization of Nepal and the world as a social caseworker in today's era. This course introduces the theoretical concepts, objectives, purpose, scope and historical development of social case work. It provides knowledge of components and process, approaches and application of social case work in different settings. Moreover, the course examines the issues related with individual and provides ideas to solve those problems within the field of social casework.

Course Objective:

- To develop understanding on the basic concepts of social Case Work
- To acquaint the students with the process of Social case work
- To understand the utilization of tools and techniques and develop in students the necessary attitude and skills to practice Social casework

Unit I: Introduction, Values, Principles of Case work (8 LH)

- Meaning, Definitions, Objective, Purpose, characteristics, Scope,
- Historical Development of Casework
- Values and Principles of case work

Unit II: The Casework Relationship (8 LH)

- Nature, Establishment, Maintenance, Termination, Transference, Counter transference
- Attitude, Emotions and Behaviour
- Psychosocial approach, Functional approach, problem-solving approach
- Psychoanalytical approach
- Desensitization model

Unit III: Component and Process of Casework (8 LH)

- Components of Case Work – The Person, The Problem, The Place, The Process.
- Process in case work:
 - Study



- Diagnosis
- Treatment
- Termination
- Evaluation
- Follow-up

Unit IV: Tools and Skills for Problem Diagnosis

(4 LH)

- Listening
- Communication
- Observation
- Interview
- Home visit
- Survey
- Recording

Unit V: Counselling and Casework

(6 LH)

Counseling in Case Work: Definition, Meaning, Importance, Objectives, Phases in Counseling , Counseling techniques & areas of Counseling

Unit VI: Other basic concepts related to Casework

(6 LH)

- Social Role
- Conflict
- Ego
- Adaptation
- Crisis
- Rehabilitation

Unit VII: Recording in Casework

(4 LH)

Unit VIII: Casework practice and application at different settings in Nepal (6 LH)

- Applications of social case work in: family, women, child welfare settings, school settings, marriage counseling centers, medical and psychiatric setting, correctional institute and industry.

Unit IX: Practical (Social Work Practice)

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Teaching faculty will plan for this practical work as per the availability of financial resources and feasibility of field work to be carried out related to case work. Faculty will make a single group or a number of groups based on the number of students studying. Each group will go to community/society and will carry out field work of 50 hours and will prepare a field work or



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project work report as the social work practice in the community. There will be a supervisor who will guide/supervisor the overall field work/case work/community/organization work. The student will present this report in the viva-voce organized by the department/campus at end of academic year. This viva-voce including the report submitted by the student will be the basis of final evaluation of 30 marks allocated for the practical of social work practice.

Readings:

Misra, P. (1994). *Social Work- Philosophy and Methods*. New Delhi: Inter-India Publications.

R.K, U. (2012). *Social Casework*. New Delhi: Rawat Publication.

Sanjay, B. (2012). *Social Work; An Integrated Approach*. New Delhi: Deep & Deep Publication Pvt. Ltd.

Essential materials

The Dynamics of Casework & Counselling: Aptekar H H

The Case Work Relationship: Biestek PP

Theory & Practice of Counselling & psychotherapy: Gerrald Corey

Introduction to Social Case Work: Grace Mathew

Social Case Work: a Problem solving Process: Helan Harris Perlman

SW424B: Social Work Practice with Groups

(Theory + Practical)

Full Marks: 50 (35+15)

Teaching hours: 75 (50+25)

Course Description

This course aims at developing knowledge and skills of students on social group work process, methods, interventions skills, and group mobilization. The overall objectives of the course are to help students develop an appreciation for the distinguishing features of social group work and to provide them with the knowledge, skills and values essential to direct practice with groups, family and other variety of settings to achieve social justice.

Course Objectives

1. To enhance knowledge and skills of students on group work methods, techniques, tools needed to practice with groups, families, organizations and communities.
2. To enhance understanding of students in social group work theories, principles, approach, communication skills, and group dynamics.
3. To enhance the ability of students to apply the knowledge and skills learned in the classroom for direct social work practice and act according to social work ethics and values in organizational setting.

Chapter 1: Introduction to Social Group Work

8 hrs

Group, Team, Group Work and Team Work

Social Group Work: Definition, Meaning, Concept, Scope, Objectives

History of Social Group Work

Douglas 14 Principles of Social Group Work

Relationship between Social Case Work, Social Group Work and Community Organization

Chapter 2: Process of Social Group Work and its Practice

8 hrs

Group Work Process - Planning Phase, Beginning Phase, Middle Phase, Ending Phase



Always

Recording in Social Group Work, Types and its importance

Roles of group worker: Facilitator, Leader, Moderator, Manager, Administrator, Enabler, Therapist, Helper, Resource mobilizer and Evaluator

Approaches and Models in Group Work Practice: Therapeutic / Social Treatment, Developmental Group and Task oriented Group.

Chapter 3: Group Dynamics and Group Development

5 hrs

Group Dynamics

Dynamics in Group Formation

Group Development

Power

Pattern and process of group interaction

Crisis and Conflict in groups, Crisis management, handling conflict in group, conflict resolution,

Chapter 4: Theories of Social Group Work

8 hrs

Contemporary theories and methods of group work practice in social work:

Systems Theory

Psychodynamic theory

Social Learning theory

Conflict theory

Garland, Jones and Kolodny's five stage model

NASW Code of Ethics

Ethics in Social Work, IFSW Standards

Chapter 5: Use of Program Media in Group Work

5 hrs

Program Laboratory (Program Media in Social Group Work) Play, Games, Singing, Dancing, Role Play, Story Telling, Puppetry, Group Discussion and Excursion

Group climate, Socio-metric pattern and its use, evaluation and assessment of group functioning

Chapter 6: Leadership and Group Behavior

8 hrs

Leader, Leadership

Types of Leadership

Leadership Theories

Concept of Leadership in the Social Group Work

Centralization and Decentralization

Chapter 7: Social Group Work Practice in Different Settings

8 hrs

Group Work in Nepal

Group Work practices among Children, Youth, Aged, Women

Self Help Groups, Women Group, Cooperative Group, Correctional Setting, and Group Work communities

Group work in institutional settings like educational institutions, hospitals, and youth development settings, child settings, family service agencies, municipality, DDC/VDC, social welfare organizations, labor organizations, NGOs and Community.

Unit V: Practical (Social Work Practice)

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Teaching faculty will plan for this practical work as per the availability of financial resources and feasibility of field work to be carried out related to social work with group. Faculty will make a single group or a number of groups based on the number of students studying. Each group will go to community/society and will carry out field work of 50 hours and will prepare a field work or project work report as the social work practice in the community. There will be a supervisor who will guide/supervisor the overall field work/case work/community/organization work. The student will present this report in the viva-voce organized by the department/campus at end of academic year. This viva-voce including the report submitted by the student will be the basis of final evaluation of 30 marks allocated for the practical of social work practice.

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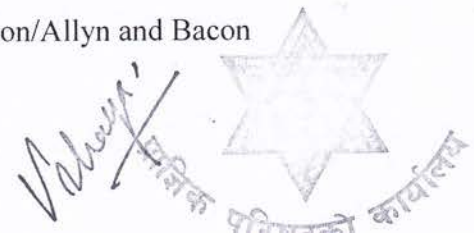
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SW 425 A: Community Organization
(Theoretical+ Practical)

Full Marks: 100 (50+ 50)

Teaching hours: 150 (75+ 75) LH

Course Description

The course 'Community Organization' acquaints students with the fundamental concepts, theoretical knowledge and the empirical understanding of it as a method of social work in global and local context. It begins with introducing students about the concept of community, enters to community organization as a method of social work and equips them with the model of community organization used internationally and indigenous knowledge and practice to help in solving the community problem. In addition, it enables students to design intervention using intervention techniques, its implementation and use monitoring and evaluation procedures while working with community.

Course Objectives

At the end of this course, students will be able to:

- Understand the community and community organization as a method of social work
- Explain the theoretical foundation of community organization in social work practice
- Design and implement community organization problem solving process in practical base in their community or the community where they work for.

Unit I: Introduction

15 LH

- **Community:** Meaning, Definition, Characteristics, Types, Components
- **Community development:** Meaning, Definition, Characteristics, objectives
- **Community organization:** Meaning, Definition, Characteristics, Objectives, Assumptions, values, Principles, scope and importance
- **Community organization for community development**
- **History of Community organization in Nepal, India, and United Kingdom.**

Unit II: Approaches to Community Organization

- **Philosophy of community Organizations**

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- **Theories:** Bureaucracy theory, Power and politics theory, Theories of Participatory approach
- **Perspectives of community organization:** Ecological Perspective, Resilience perspective, Anti-discrimination/oppression and strength, and empowerment-based perspective
- **Model of community Organization Practice:** Local-Development Model, Social-Planning Model, Social-Action Model

Unit III: Techniques and Process of Community Organization

20 LH

- **Concept of PLA, PRA and RRA techniques**
- **PLA and PRA:** Transect walk, Socio-mapping, Well-being Ranking, Mobility ranking, Seasonal calendar, Venn Diagram and Priority matrix
- **Process of Community Organization:**
 - Assessments of need and problem
 - Setting goals and objectives
 - Selecting and Designing Intervention
 - Mobilization of resources
 - Implementation
 - Evaluation
 - Modification
 - Continuation

Unit IV: Role and Skills of Community Organizer

10 LH

- **Role of Community Organizer:** Communicator, Enabler, Animator, Facilitator, Collaborator, Motivator, Advocate, Mediator, Educator
- **Skills of an efficient Community Organizer:** Organization skills, Analytical skills, conflict resolution skills, Relationship/engagement skills, Leadership skill, networking skills, Recording skills

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Unit V: Community organization and the practices in Nepal

15 LH

- Guthi, Rodhi, Dharam Bhakari, Bheja, Dhikur
- Self- Help Group, Mothers' Group and their program, Micro Saving credit program, Community Forest program.
- Community health center, Community based elderly homes, Community Rehabilitation centers, Community school, Community service-training centers, Religious centers, Clubs.
- Rural area and village development committees (Rural Municipality committee)

Field placement and field report

FM: 50

Teaching faculty will plan for this practical work as per the availability of financial resources and feasibility of field work to be carried out related to community organization. Faculty should make numbers of group based on the number of students studying. Each group needs to do their field work practice working as a trainee in Community organization or community-based organization located at village, semi urban, or urban areas at least two weeks and will prepare a field work report as the social work practice in the community. The student will present this report in the viva-voce organized by the department/ campus at the end of the academic year. The permanent faculty members of department of social work, or the faculty members having the degree of MSW are eligible as the external supervisor for final viva. This viva-voce including the report submitted by the student will be the basis of final evaluation of 50 marks allocated for the practical of community organization in social work practice. There will be supervisor who will guide/ supervise the overall field work practice.

Evaluation Scheme for Practical Part:

The marks are provided on the following basis: FM =50, PM= 25

External examiner will evaluate the practical work in consultation with internal supervisors.

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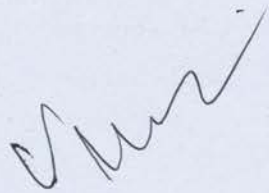
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**SW 425 B: Federalism, Governance, Development, and Social Work
(Theoretical + Practical)**

Full Marks: 100 (50+ 50)

Teaching hours: 150 (75+ 75) LH

Course Description:

This paper has been designed to familiarize the preliminary concept of governance and development in relation with social work practice in Nepal. It aims to teach the concept of federalism, governance embedded in political and economic dimensions from pre-historic period to present. The State and its Government Organization (GO), Non-Government Organization (NGO), and Inter-Government Organization (IGO) are the agency to operate the system's political objectives and anticipation. The Unitary and Federal system are the two fundamental ideas of governing polity through which students shall intertwine their social work activities with these systems. Development is a multidimensional approach; its importance to interlink with society, culture and governance (polity) with social work practice is the foremost objective of the course. Monism, Pluralism, Liberalism, Democracy, Capitalism, Conservatism, Socialism, Communism, Authoritarianism, Constructivism are the ideological concepts of governance implemented in development practices. By and large, the course has explored the participatory and non-participatory governing system and development practices with social work practices in Nepal and around the globe. The course also aims to enhance the social work students to interlink the co-relationship among the governance, development, and the role of social work to intervene in Micro, Mezzo, and Macro level social work practice in Nepal.

Objectives of the Course:

1. Aims to familiarize the concept and dimensions of federalism and governance (polity), development and their relationship with social work.
2. To explore the theoretical debates on governance
3. To provide the fundamental knowledge of participatory and non-participatory governance with theoretical guidance.
4. Explore the areas of social work intervention in the current governance practice in Nepal.

Unit I: Federalism and Governance

20 LH

Federalism: Meaning, definitions, features, and indicators.

Governance: Meaning, definitions, and characteristics

Development: Notion and indicators

• **Dimensions of governance:**

- Economical Dimensions (Property rights, transparency of economic transactions, freedom of information, and public sector management)



- Political Dimension (Legitimacy, human rights, rule of law, and government accountability)
- **Indicators of Governance:**
(Voice and accountability, political stability, absence of violence and terrorism, rule of law, and control of corruption)
- Merits and Demerits of federalism and governance.**

Unit II: Federalism in Nepal

10 LH

Historical development of federalism.

Models of federal system in Nepal:

- Federal government: concept and features
- Provincial government: notion and structures;
- Local government: Forms and features.

Unit III: Early Practices of Federalism and Governance in Nepal

12 LH

- a. Manusmriti and Governance
- b. Kautilya's Arthashastra and Government
- c. Shakya and Koliyaa Janasangh (Early Democratic Practice)
- d. Plato's Ideal State
- e. Aristotle's types of government

Unit IV: Historical Practices in Nepal

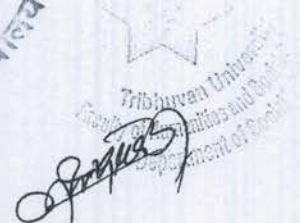
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- f. Gopala, Mahishapala and Kirata: ancient governing system
- g. Shakya and Kosala: democratic government
- h. Lichchhvi: Guthi, Panchyata and their administration,
- i. Malla: development of art and architecture
- j. Shah: Unification,
- k. Ranarchy: abolition of Sati and Kamara Kamari (Slave)
- l. Evolution of Democracy and constitutionalism: Panchyat System, and Multiparty democracy
- m. Republic and multi-party democratic system.

Unit V: Federal, Governance and Social Work in Nepal.

10 LH

- Federal governance and social work practice
- Provincial governance and social work practice
- Local governance and social work practice
- Social Work intervention in development and governance policy and practices



Unit VI: Governance, Development and Social Work in Nepal.

5 LH

- Practices on governance from social work perspectives
- Development practices in relation to social work
- Social Work intervention in development and governance policy and practices

Field placement and field report

50 LH

Teaching faculty will plan for this practical work as per the availability of financial resources and feasibility of field work to be carried out related to government offices (Working with the areas of local government; ward office, municipality office, province government offices). Faculty shall form groups on the basis of the students' number. Each group needs to do their field work practice working as the trainees in concerned organizations with direct supervision of faculty. The field work practice must have two weeks of schedule with 6 hours of a day and every student must submit their field work report to the board external examiner in the viva-voce organized by the department/ campus at the end of the academic year. This viva-voce including the report submitted by the student has allocated 30 marks of the practical exam. The supervisor will guide/ supervise the overall field work practice of governance, development and social work. The permanent faculty members of department of social work, or any faculty members of particular department/colleges having the degree of MSW are eligible for final viva voce. This viva-voce including the report submitted by the student will be evaluated in 30 marks. The marks are awarded in the following criteria:

Evaluation Scheme for Practical Part:

The marks are provided on the following basis: FM =50, PM= 25

External examiner will evaluate the practical work in consultation with internal supervisors.



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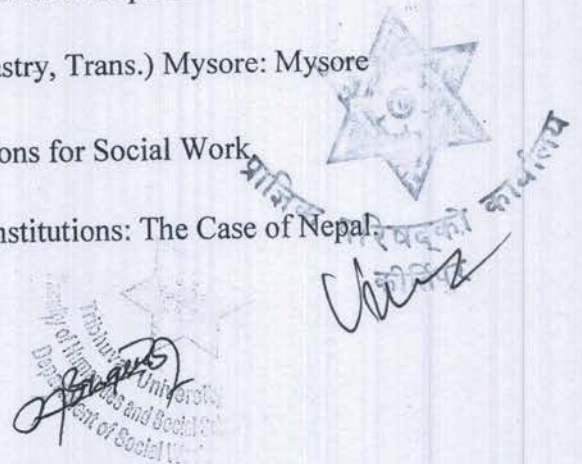
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**SW410: Social Policy and Social Welfare Administration
(Theoretical+ Practical)**

F.M: 100 (70+30)

Teaching Hours: 150 (100+ 50)

I. Course Description

The course explores the social policies globally while emphasizing the policies and practices in Nepal. Aligned with the principal objective of the Bachelor of Arts in Social Work (BASW) program– to nurture generalist social work practitioners in the Nepalese context that are committed to human rights and social justice– this course engages students in understanding how social policies and welfare practices impact everyday lives of the people. This understanding is expected to help students to design meaningful and socially just interventions. The course offers carefully selected readings from Nepali as well as non-Nepali authors thus providing both emic and etic perspectives in terms of social policy and social welfare. Through the engagements in the course, students are expected to understand the importance of social policy on welfare practices. By the end of the course engagement, students will develop an understanding of the importance of social policy, the process of social policy formulation, and useful frameworks for policy analysis. Students will also develop an understanding of the prominent social welfare practices globally and in Nepal and be familiar with social welfare administration.

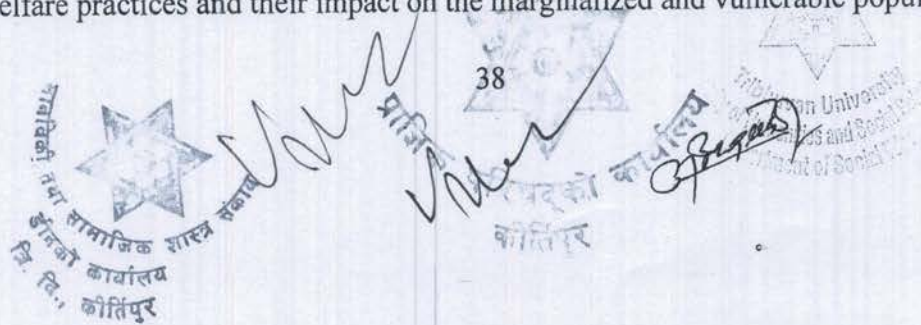
II. Course objectives

The primary objectives of the course for each of the learning dimensions are discussed below:

Knowledge

The course aims to build students' knowledge on:

- Concept of social policy and social welfare
- Theories and processes of policymaking
- Major social policies in Nepal
- Implementation of social policies and social welfare
- Major problems in policy-making, planning, and implementation
- Analysis of the prominent social policies and welfare practices in the Nepalese social-cultural-economic-political context
- Understanding the intersections of caste, class, and gender with social policies and welfare practices and their impact on the marginalized and vulnerable populations



- Evaluation of the appropriateness of multi-level social work interventions through and within social welfare practices

Skills

The course facilitates the following skill development in the students:

- Exploring social policies; assessing social policies and practices in the Nepalese context
- Identifying policy gaps/problems and problems in implementation as areas of social work intervention
- Formulating, implementing, and evaluating social policies and welfare practices
- Devising appropriate multi-level social work interventions for identified limitations in social welfare practices

Values

The course upholds the principle values of social work as presented below:

- Employing a Social Justice lens to understand social policies and welfare practices and their impacts, particularly on the vulnerable groups
- Keeping Human Rights and Social Justice at the core of all social work interventions
- Encouraging collective responsibility towards effective social welfare practices

Unit I: Understanding Social Problems, Social Policies, and Welfare Practices 10 LH

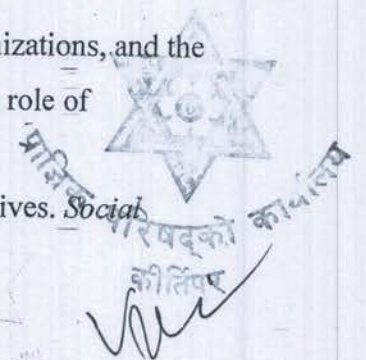
This unit aims to facilitate the understanding of social policies and welfare practices among the students. The unit also introduces students to social problems and how they turn into social issues, and how they take the shape of policy problems.

- Social problems
- Social issues
- Social policies
- Social welfare

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Unit II: Theories in Policy Making

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This unit will discuss the theories and methods of policy-making/formulation. It will provide knowledge to students about why and how policies are formulated.

- Political Systems theory
- Political coalition theory
- Rational Choice theory
- Policy output Analysis

Readings:

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Unit III: Policy-Making Process in Nepal

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This unit will discuss the process of policymaking in Nepal. It will also look into how policies are practiced within governmental and non-governmental agencies within the country. Additionally, it will look into how social workers can contribute to the policy process in Nepal—both policy-making and implementation.

- Policy formulation process: stakeholders, participation, challenges, and opportunities
- Policy documents: policies, acts, regulations, guidelines, directives, and their roles
- The Constitution of Nepal 2015, fundamental rights, and the commitments of the State
- Social work opportunities with regard to the identified social policies and practices



- Changes in the policymaking process after the promulgation of the Constitution of Nepal 2072 B.S. (for example, policymaking post federalism)
- Social workers in policy making

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Unit IV: Major Social Policies in Nepal

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This unit will provide glimpses of social policies in Nepal that aim at the betterment of marginalized and vulnerable groups, the primary concern for social workers.

- Education Policy
- Elderly/senior citizen policy and Social Security Allowance for the Elderly
- Child Protection and Welfare Policies
- Youth Policies
- Healthcare Policies (including mental health)
- Policies for the person with disabilities
- Policies for gender equity and women's empowerment
- Policies against human trafficking
- Other relevant policies

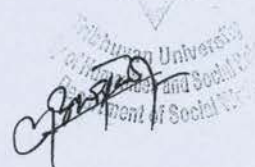
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Unit V: Policy Analysis and Relevant Tools

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Policies provide a roadmap to any desired outcome and guide the decision-making process to achieve it. Policies are broader frameworks to ensure efficiency, clarity, and consistency to achieve the desired goal/outcome. Policy analysis helps public officials understand how social, economic, and political conditions change and how public policies must evolve to meet the changing needs of a changing society (Britannica.com). This unit will discuss the various tools that social workers can use to assess a social policy. Assessment is a vital step in social work intervention and this unit endeavors to expose students to a range of assessment tools that could usefully serve social work practice.

- Descriptive policy analysis
- Prescriptive policy analysis
- Tools of assessment: Appreciative Inquiry, SWOT Analysis, The Johari Window, Delphi Method, alternative tools

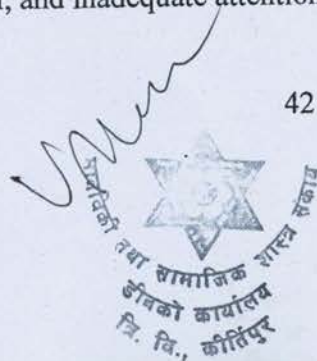
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Unit VI: Social Policy Implementation and Social Welfare

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This unit looks into the various welfare states around the world to understand the prevalent welfare models. It additionally engages with Esping-Andersen's proposition of three worlds of welfare capitalism to locate Nepal's position in the welfare spectrum. This unit will also explore the challenges concerning social policy in Nepal amid meager resources, bureaucratic Red Tapis, and inadequate attention to social policies.



- Understanding social welfare and social welfare strategies
- Policy implementation and social welfare
- Esping Anderson's three worlds of welfare capitalism: liberal, conservative and social democratic
- The variety of welfare states: USA, Canada, UK, Germany, Sweden, Australia, South Africa, Brazil, Japan, China, India, Nepal

Readings:

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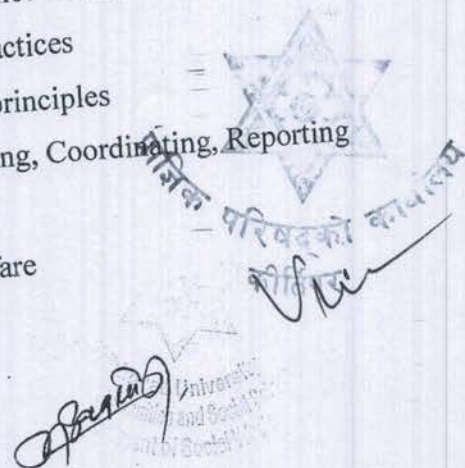
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Unit VII: Social Welfare Administration in Nepal

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This unit looks into the primary Act that guides social welfare in Nepal. It also explores the social welfare practices and activities in Nepal including indigenous and local practices and those led by development organizations. Social policies and social welfare provisions are only as good as they are translated into action; in other words, they are only as good as they are administered. This unit will explore the details of how social welfare is administered and the crucial role of the social workers in administering welfare.

- The Social Welfare Act, 2049 (1992) Or The latest Act in lieu of this Act
- Social welfare practices in Nepal: indigenous and local practices
- Social welfare administration: Introduction, process, and principles
- The POSDCORB [Planning, Organizing, Staffing, Directing, Coordinating, Reporting Budgeting] Model
- The role of the social worker in administering social welfare



- Understanding organizational structures
- Governance: what is it and why is good governance important?
- Concepts of project management

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Unit VIII: The Appropriate Intervention

An intervention that worked well in one context might not work in the same manner in another context. As social problems are dynamic, social policies need to address the changes in the social fabric, and social interventions also need to correspond to these changes. This unit discusses the keys to reaching an appropriate intervention for a social problem in a particular social context; the session emphasizes the ecological systems theory and various practice models.

- Bronfenbrenner's Ecological Systems theory and Social Work interventions
- Practice Models (Problem-solving, task-centered practice, narrative therapy, cognitive-behavioral therapy, crisis intervention model)

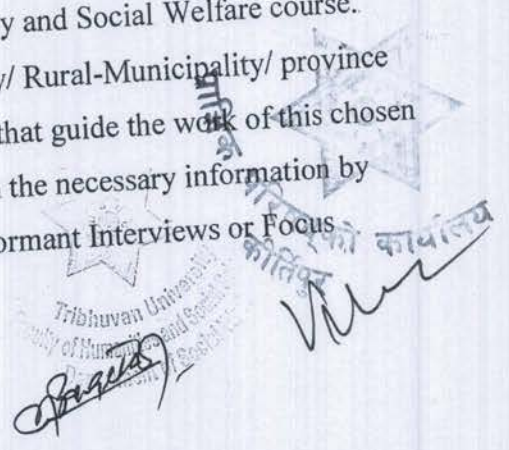
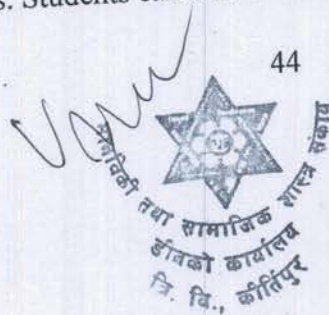
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Practical Engagement

As indicated in the course description, students are expected to be engaged in 50 lecture hours of field engagement towards 30 marks of the Social Policy and Social Welfare course.

Students can choose an agency (GO/ NGO/INGO/ Municipality/ Rural-Municipality/ province and federal government) and explore and evaluate the policies that guide the work of this chosen agency. Students can intern/volunteer at this agency and obtain the necessary information by reviewing their documents. Students can also conduct Key Informant Interviews or Focus



Groups towards obtaining this information. Students will be evaluated for their practical engagement (or 30% of the course grades) based on the Policy Review Report they are required to submit towards the partial fulfillment of the course. Students should demonstrate in their report that they engaged in a minimum two weeks of practical engagement; this could include the time for block placement fieldwork, policy research, assessment, and report writing.



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**SW 426: Research Methods in Social Work
(Theoretical + Practical)**

Full Marks: 100 (70 +30)

Lecture Hours: 150 (100 +50)

Course Description:

This paper is designed to introduce social work research and to familiarize students with the process and practice of research. It enables them to comprehend social work research design; concept, theory, methods, interpretation, and reporting of research findings for social work intervention. In addition, this paper also includes the relevance of *Prachya Darshana* (Eastern philosophy) mode of inquiry as well as applied aspects of social work research.

Course Objectives:

- To help students understand the concept and importance of research in social work practice.
- To equip students with fundamental skills necessary for data collection and report writing.
- To make students able to find out the areas of their interest for further exploration as well as dissemination and publication in social work.

Unit I: Social Work Research and Research Methodology

20 LH

- **Research in Social Work**
 - Concept and Types
 - Goal and Importance
 - The Notion of Evidence Based Practice
 - Research as secondary methods in Social Work
- **Philosophy, Theory, and Methodology**
 - **Ontology;**
 - Western trend (Positivism/Empiricism and Interpretivism/Constructivism);
 - Eastern trend (*Vedanta, Mimamsa and Samkhya*)
 - **Epistemology** – Western trend (Objectivist/Rationalist and Constructionist/Interactionist)
- **Methodology:** Qualitative, Quantitative and Mixed Methodology



Unit II: Review of Literatures

20 LH

- Literatures and Preparing bibliography
- Literature Review (Nature, Sources and Importance)
- Types of Reviews (Narrative and Systematic)
- Gap Analysis and Statement of the Research Problems
- Generating Research Questions and Objectives
- Development of Conceptual and Theoretical Framework
- Citation, Reference and Bibliography, and Plagiarism

Unit III: Research Design and Data Collection

25 LH

- Research Design – meaning and components
- Types of Research Designs
 - Descriptive, Exploratory and Explanatory Research design
 - Experimental, Non-Experimental, Cross-Sectional, Longitudinal, Case Study, Comparative Study Design
 - Historical, Narrative, Ethnographies Research Designs
 - Sequential, Concurrent and Transformative Research Designs
- Quantitative Research Methods in Social Work Research
 - Why we need Sampling?
 - Census and Survey
 - Universe and Sampling
 - Sample size and its process
 - Sampling Methods:
- Qualitative Research Methods in Social Work Research
 - Concept of Social Field and Roles of the Researcher (Observer)
 - Relations of Participants: Emic and Etic Perspectives
 - Qualitative Sampling and Selection of Informants
 - In-depth Interviewing, Key Informant Interview (KII)
 - Life History, Biography and Genogram
 - Focus Groups Discussion
 - Note Taking and Recording Observations



Unit V: General Introduction of Data Analysis and Interpretation

20 LH

- **Processing and analysis of quantitative data**

- Elements and types of data analysis (univariate, bivariate, and multivariate analysis)
- Ratio, Percentage and Proportion
- Levels of Measurement: Nominal, Ordinal, Interval and Ratio Measures
- Statistics in research, Measures of central tendency (Mean, Median, Mode)
- Measures of dispersion (range, quartile deviation, average deviation) and standard deviation
- Cross-tabulation: frequency distribution and Chi-square test
- Application of Correlation: Spearman's Rank Order Correlation, Karl Pearson's Correlation Coefficient

- **Qualitative data analysis and presentation**

- Editing, coding, classification, description and interpretation of qualitative data
- Prachya Darshana Inference Analysis: Pratigyan (the Proposition/Promise), Hetu (the Ground/Purpose), Udaharana (the Illustration), Upanaya (the application) , Nigamana (the Conclusion) and Hatvabhasa (the syllogism/ Fallacy)
- Interpretation

Unit VI: Writing Research

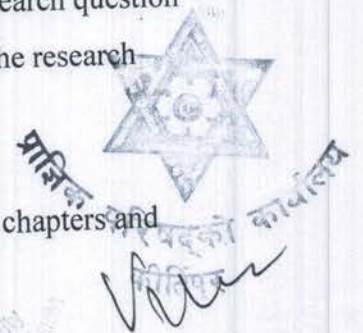
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Research Proposal – definition, purpose and importance

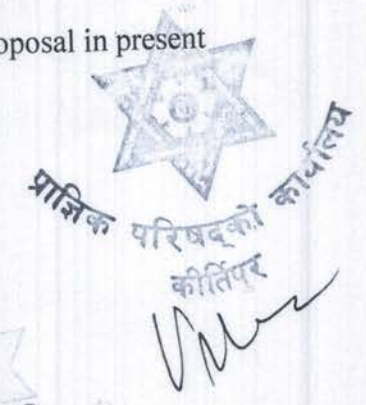
- **General Components**

- Title Page
- Table of Contents
- Introduction

- Background – introduction to the topics and context of research
- Statement of the Problem – identification and research question
- Objectives – activities needed to get answers to the research questions
- Rationale and Significance of the Study
- Organization of the Report – tentative outline of chapters and contents



- Review of Literature
 - definition, history and context of concepts and variables
 - Theoretical and empirical reviews
 - Past studies and global and Nepali context
 - Gap analysis and Conceptual framework
 - Research Methodology
 - Study Area and Rationale for selection
 - Research Design
 - Sample design
 - Data collection tools and Techniques
 - Techniques of Data Analysis and Interpretation
 - Limitation of the Study
 - Appendices – data collection tools, maps etc.
 - List of References and Bibliography
- **Research Format**
 - **General Components**
 - Preliminary Pages
 - Title page
 - Acknowledgements
 - Table of Contents
 - List of Tables and Figures
 - Abstract
 - Main body text
 - Introduction;
 - Background and preliminary parts of the proposal in present perfect tense
 - Reviews and Conceptual Frameworks
 - Methodology and Methods
 - Data Presentation and Analysis
 - Results and Major Findings



- Interpretation of Findings
- Discussion and Conclusion
- Post Script Pages
 - List of References
 - Appendices

Unit VI: The Ethical, Political and Cultural Context of Social Work

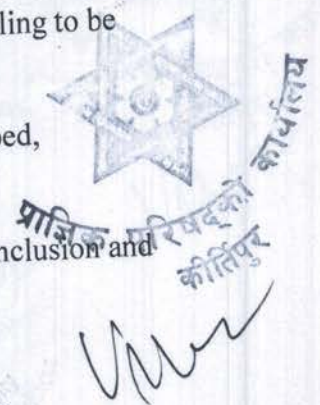
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- Ethics and Politics of Social Work Research
 - Ethical Principles
 - Politics in Research
 - Ethics and the Internet
- Developing Cultural Competence

Practical Activities

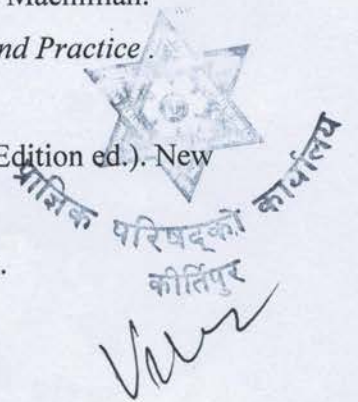
The teacher shall teach, guide, instruct and evaluate each student (individual work) for writing proposal and report on the relevant topic on appropriate format as per the general process of report basis of following format. For final evaluation purpose 30 marks has been allocated for both classroom and field activities based on presentation and viva-voce by the external assigned from the university. The specific activities for the practicum shall generally involve the following tasks;

- each student shall explore their interest of social work settings and related literature to develop a title, problem statement and conceptual framework,
- generally social work is both science and arts and are more focused on the emotional aspects and phenomenal of the participants,
- conceptual framework should be guided by the interaction knowledge in western theoretical practices as well as *Prachya Darshana*,
- appropriate sample design based on the clarification of universe and sampling to be developed,
- appropriate tool for both quantitative and qualitative studies to be developed,
- data collection process guided by ethical process and principles
- Finally, reporting to be made as per the given format so as to generate conclusion and recommendation for appropriate intervention for social work practice.



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**SW 427: Indigenous Social Work Practice in Nepal
(Theoretical + Practical)**

FM: 100 (50+ 50)

Teaching Hour: 150 (75+75) LH

Course Description

This module focuses on the content that is concerned with social works' response to indigenous peoples' and local culture and contexts call it anti colonialism or localization of Social Work. How claims to global and universal social work present a paradox for those concerned with social work's responsiveness to local cultural context is important to explore in the context of Indigenous Social Work practice in Nepal.

Although perspectives in social work are drawn from universally discussed modalities, yet in reality, social work on the frontlines are mainly concerned with responsiveness to their local cultural context. Hence both the concept of indigenization and the indigenous social work practices available in Nepal and in South Asia would be discussed.

Indigenization is also associated better while to deal with diversity and being mindful of cultural sensitivity, competence, appropriateness and relevance. This module seeks to ponder upon such concepts. And students are encouraged to be familiar with cultural practices that contributes to social work practices and must involve at least two weeks community work to familiarise themselves with indigenous practices of social work.

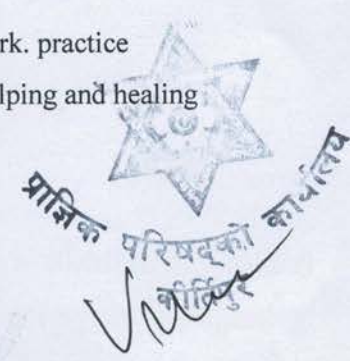
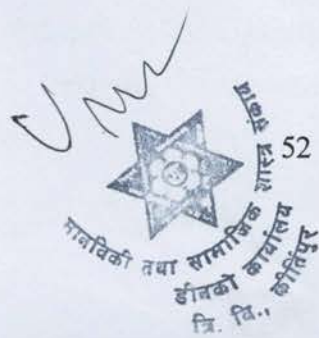
Course Objectives

This course is designed to develop culturally relevant responses to our diverse local contexts and social problems within social work intervention in Nepal. Indigenous social work practice builds on the expanded understanding of person - in - environment a perspective that is extensively advocated within social work intervention modalities. Hence this module assumes to explore interdependence and relatedness, the importance of place and the openness to work traditional indigenous forms of healing and helping. The module builds on a set of values and beliefs that are central to indigenous helping approaches in Nepal and in South Asia.

Unit I: Indigenous Social Work:

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- Concepts of indigenous social work
- Discussion on indigenization in social work vs. Indigenous social work. practice
- Indigenous worldviews, local knowledge, and traditional forms of helping and healing
- Diverse cultural wisdom, knowledge and morality
- Spirituality and social care and social work values in Nepal



Unit II: Philosophy of Social Work Practices in Nepal

15 LH

- Major faith systems and religious practices in Nepal
- 1. Hindu religious practices
- 2. Buddhists religious engagements
- 3. Islam in practice
- 4. Kirant and other ad-hoc sects

Unit III: Nature of Indigenous Social Work practices in Nepal

10 LH

- Defining indigenization of Social Work and Nepali context
- Nature of prevailing social work practices in Nepal
- The ancient/medieval and modern practices
- Prospects of indigenous social work in Nepal

Unit IV: Indigenous Social work practices in Nepali society

15 LH

- Practice models – values, beliefs, customs, and cultural norms
- Local and indigenous helping practices
- Ritual based social work practices (Upanayana, Marriage, Death....)
- Socio-cultural institution base social work practices (Guthi, Rodi, Veja, Ashrams, Dharmashalas, Anathalyas)
- Festival-based social work practices (Deusi-Bhailo, Ping,.....)
- Religion-based social work practices (Puja, Pati, Pauwa, Chautari-Pokhari.....)
- Economy-based social work practices (Pareli, Parma, Jhara.....)

Unit V: Contributors in indigenization of social work in South Asia and Nepal

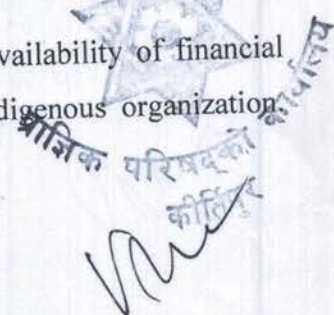
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- Baba Amte and social work intervention modalities in Anandban, India
- Mahatma Gandhi and the concept of satyagraha in social change
- Sunder Bahuguna and the struggle for protection of environmental degradation
- Medha Patkar and her approach for resistance
- Binoba Bhabhe and the concept of Antyodaya
- Shree Arbindo and his educational innovation
- Dayabir Kansakar and his contribution.
- Yogmaya and her contribution

Field placement and field report

FM 50

Teaching faculty will plan for this practical work as per the availability of financial resources and feasibility of field work to be carried out related to indigenous organization.



Faculty should make numbers of group based on the number of students studying. Each group needs to do their field work practice working as a trainee in indigenous or community-based organization located at village, semi urban, or urban areas at least two weeks and will prepare a field work report of indigenous social work practice. The student will present this report in the viva-voce organized by the department/ campus at the end of the academic year. The faculty members of department of social work, or any faculty members having the degree of MSW are eligible as the external supervisor for final viva. This viva-voce including the report submitted by the student will be the basis of final evaluation of 50 marks allocated for the practical of indigenous social work practice. There will be supervisor who will guide/ supervise the overall field work practice.

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