

**Masters in Women's and Gender Studies
(MAWGSR)**

ASSIGNMENT
(July 2025- January 2026, Academic Sessions)
MWG-101



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Assignment No.	Submission of Assignments by the Students
MWG-101/AST/TMA-2025-2026	Please check assignment submission deadlines on the IGNOU website or by contacting your Regional Centre.

As explained in your Programme Guide, you need to complete one assignment for each course of 8 credits. **Please check the IGNOU website regarding any assignment submission updates.** With proper planning you will be able to do them within the stipulated period.

Kindly note that examination forms for Term End Examinations will only be accepted if you have submitted the relevant assignments by the given deadline. Submit assignments as per instructions provided by your Regional Centre/ on the university website. Include your name, enrollment number, Programme Code, Course Code and email ID on each assignment. Assignments need to be handwritten and each assignment should be submitted as a separate single document. (Do not combine two assignments/ Do not submit responses for individual questions as separate documents.)

PLEASE ALSO READ CAREFULLY INFORMATION REGARDING ASSIGNMENTS AND STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM PROVIDED IN THE PROGRAMME GUIDE.

Note: It is requested to attempt the latest assignment/s uploaded in the website.

Course Code: MWG-101

Course Title: Theories of Women's & Gender Studies

Assignment MWG-101/AST/TMA-2025-2026

Maximum Marks: 100

Note: The assignment requires you to attempt any two essay type questions. The recommended length for each answer is 1000 words.

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Statement Regarding Plagiarism: Please write all answers in your own words. Assignments with plagiarized material (copied directly from course books or any other external sources) will not be accepted. Please read statement on Plagiarism provided in the Programme Guide.

Attempt any two of the following Long Answer questions (50 marks each)

1. Critically evaluate the history of women's issues in both social reform and political freedom movements. Do you agree that it helped us to deepen our understanding about several aspects of women's movements in the contemporary time? Explain.
2. Discuss the debates on colonialism and postcolonialism. Describe the contribution of postcolonial feminist theorists
3. Explain the queer concept from Western perspective. Write the contribution of Sigmund Freud, Michel Foucault and Jacques Lacan in queer theory.

