

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK (BSWG)

Assignment:2025-26

Course Title

First Year

BSW-121: Professional Social Work and its Values
BSW-122: Society, Social Institutions and Social Problems
BSW-123: Community Organization and Communication

Second Year

BSW-124: Human Growth, Behaviour and Counselling
BSW-125: Social Case Work and Social Group Work
BSW-126: Social Work in Family Setting
BSW-127: Public Health and HIV/AIDS

Third Year

BSW-128: Social Policy and Social Development
BSW-129: Research Methods in Social Work
BSW-130: Prevention of Substance Abuse
BSW-131: Social Welfare Administration and Social Action

**Last Date of Submission of Assignments to the Study
Centre**

July 2025 Session - March 31, 2026

January 2026 Session - September 30, 2026



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Dear Learner,

Welcome to the BSWG programme of IGNOU. To complete your BSWG programme, kindly follow the following tips:

- Read the programme guide before you begin your studies. It will clarify most of your doubts regarding how to go about completing the BSWG studies from IGNOU.
- Submit your assignments to the Study Centre on time.
- Be in touch with your Study Centre and Regional Centre.
- Fill up the examination form on time.

Assignments are open-book examinations, and we at IGNOU assign 30 percent weightage to the assignment while calculating the overall grade for each course. **Assignments are to be handwritten and duly signed** before their submission in the study centre. To prepare a good set of assignment responses, you must first of all read the chapter(s) from which a particular question has been framed. Discuss with your peer group, academic counsellors, or professors who teach you. Prepare a draft, do the necessary corrections on it, and then prepare the final version for submission to the Study Centre.

Make sure that each answer starts on a new page. For long and medium answers, ensure that there is an introduction, subtitles for the main body, and a conclusion. One line should be left between each paragraph. Make sure your answers are specific and in your own words, and do not copy from books. Your answers will be exclusively based on the IGNOU materials only. Preparation of assignments is preparation for your term-end examination. Therefore, take the assignments seriously.

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Research Methods in Social Work

Assignment

Course Code: - BSW 129
Total Marks – 100

Note:

- (i) Answer any **five** of the following questions in about **500 words** each.
- (ii) All questions carry equal marks.

1. Define social work research. Explain its meaning, scope, and importance in the field of social work. 20
2. Discuss the relationship between social science research and natural science research. How does positivism influence social work research? 20
3. What is the integrated or mixed-method approach in social work research? Discuss its advantages and limitations. 20
4. Explain the importance and process of conducting Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) in qualitative research. 20
5. What are research designs? Describe any three types of research designs commonly used in social work research. 20
6. Describe different methods and tools of data collection used in social work research. Explain how to decide which method to use. 20
7. Discuss the process and principles of writing a research report in social work. What are the key components of a good research report? 20
8. Describe basic statistical techniques used in social work research. How do measures of central tendency help in data analysis? 20