

## **Extension and Outreach Policy**

**Purpose:** The Extension and Outreach Policy of our Social Work Institution outlines our commitment to engaging with communities, promoting social justice, and addressing social issues beyond the boundaries of our institution. This policy guides our efforts to extend our expertise, resources, and services to the wider community through meaningful partnerships, collaboration, and outreach activities.

### **1. Community Engagement:**

- The college actively seeks opportunities to engage with local communities (19 communities), marginalized groups, and individuals facing social challenges to understand their needs and concerns.
- The college fosters respectful and inclusive relationships with community members, promoting their active participation in identifying and addressing social issues.

### **2. Partnerships and Collaboration:**

- The college seeks to establish partnerships and collaborations with community organizations, NGOs, government agencies, and other relevant stakeholders to maximize our collective impact.
- The college works collaboratively to develop and implement programs, initiatives, and interventions that address social problems, promote social justice, and improve the well-being of individuals and communities.

### **3. Capacity Building and Training:**

- NEISSR offers capacity building programs, workshops, and training sessions to community members, organizations, and professionals to enhance their skills, knowledge, and understanding of social issues and effective social work practices.
- NEISSR shares its expertise and resources to empower individuals and communities to become agents of change and advocates for social justice.

### **4. Advocacy and Policy Influence:**

- The college actively engage in advocacy efforts to influence policies, legislation, and practices at the local, regional, and national levels, aiming to address systemic social issues and promote social equality.
- The college provides evidence-based research, policy briefs, and expert opinions to inform policy discussions and contribute to the development of more equitable and inclusive social policies.

## **5. Public Awareness and Education:**

- NEISSR conducts public awareness campaigns, community workshops, and educational programs to promote understanding, empathy, and awareness of social issues, social work values, and the role of social workers in addressing societal challenges.
- NEISSR utilizes various mediums, such as social media, public events, and media engagements, to disseminate information, share success stories, and raise public consciousness about social issues and the importance of social work.

## **6. Monitoring and Evaluation:**

- NEISSR has mechanisms to monitor and evaluate the impact and effectiveness of our extension and outreach activities.
- NEISSR makes use the insights gained through monitoring and evaluation to improve our programs, ensure accountability, and demonstrate the value and relevance of our engagement with communities.

By adhering to this Extension and Outreach Policy, NEISSR aims to extend the reach and impact of our social work mission beyond the confines of our institution. We aspire to make a positive difference in society, promote social justice, and empower individuals and communities to achieve their full potential.