## Social Action

**Course Description**

Social action is an important secondary method of social work for promoting social development in the society. The course will be engaging the students to understand the key role and functions of social actions for effective working of social welfare institutions.

**Course Objectives**

This course signifies Social Action as a method of social work. The course aims to stimulate students’ academic and professional skills in the method of social action.

**Learning Outcomes**

* The students will be aware about the need and importance of social action in social work practice.
* The students will be able to evaluate the trends and applications of social action in international as well as Pakistani context.

**Teaching Method**

This course will be based on interactive discussions; student centered learning activities and research projects. The preferred teaching approach will be ‘active learning’ in which students solve problems, answer questions, formulate questions of their own, brainstorm, discuss, explain and debate. Co-operative learning will be encouraged through group discussions, assignments and projects. Periodical assessments and evaluation through class participation, quizzes, assigned tasks, research project, Mid Term and End Term examinations will be a part of this course.

**Course Content**

1. Definition, scope and objectives of Social Action
2. Evolution of Social Action as Social work method
3. Significance of Social Action
4. Components of Social action
5. Principles, practices and strategies of Social Action
6. International Best Practices for Social Action
7. Social Action In Pakistan: Challenges and prospects

**Suggested Readings**

Abbott, C. & Taylor, P. (2013). *Action Learning in Social Work*. London: Sage Publication.

Martin, J. L. (2011). The Explanation of Social Action. New York: Oxford University Press.

Newcom, F. A. & Sachs, J. (2013). Clinical Work and Social Action: An Integrative Approach. New York: The Haworth Press.