

**Master's Degree in Women's and Gender
Studies**

(MAWGS)

**Gender, Literature, Culture
Specialization**

ASSIGNMENT

4th Semester



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MASTER'S DEGREE IN WOMEN'S AND GENDER STUDIES

ASSIGNMENT for MWG 008: Gender and Life Narratives (4th Semester)

Assignment No.	Submission of Assignments by the Students
MWG-008/AST/TMA-2022	As per submission deadlines announced by the University*

*Please check IGNOU website regularly for updates regarding submission deadlines.

As explained in the Programme Guide for MAWGS, you need to complete one assignment in each course of 8 credits. Please submit your assignment by the submission deadline announced on the university website. Assignments should be submitted to your Regional/Study Center.

PLEASE ALSO READ CAREFULLY INFORMATION REGARDING ASSIGNMENTS PROVIDED IN THE MAWGS PROGRAMME GUIDE (PAGES 15-19) AND STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM (PAGE 16). Assignments containing plagiarized or copied material will not be accepted.

Course Code: MWG 008
Course Title: Gender and Life Narratives
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Note: The assignment contains essay type questions. You are required to attempt **ANY ONE** out of the two questions. Your response (including all parts) should be approximately 1500- 2000 words.

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

100 Marks

Attempt any **ONE** of the following:

1. Imagine yourself as a Dalit unskilled labour's daughter, who has got through an IIT. Use this picture to discuss your life narrative from the perspective of voices from the margin and your struggle for making a successful career. (Refer to Block 3 and 4)



OR

2. Go to a public library near your home. Pick up a book on women autobiography or biography. Critically analyze it from gender perspectives. Refer to Block 1 to discuss the terms, histories, forms, modes and theoretical challenges that the writer must have faced to get published.