

SOCIAL INTERNSHIP

HAND BOOK



ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-26 Y-24 BATCH

You must be the change you wish to see in the Society."

- Mahatma Gandhi

Student Handbook for Social Internship Program

For First-Year Engineering Students (Y-24)
Duration: 80-120 Hours | 8-10 Days

Purpose of the Internship

Social Internship aims to cultivate empathy, real-world problem-solving, and community engagement among engineering students by immersing them in rural or semi-urban communities. It is a key experiential component of the curriculum aligned with the values of social responsibility and sustainable development.

Key Objectives

- Understand and engage with community structures and issues.
- Identify grassroots-level problems and document them effectively.
- Contribute through hands-on activities addressing real social needs.
- Conduct household and village/community-level surveys.
- Promote awareness on health, sanitation, environment, and education.
- Prepare a final case study report with observations and solutions.

Pre-Internship Preparation

- Attend orientation and briefing sessions.
- Understand your assigned domain and associated Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
- Coordinate with your faculty mentor and field guide (if applicable).
- Familiarize yourself with the local language or customs (basics).
- Carry required materials: notebooks, ID cards, survey formats, etc.

Student Responsibilities

1. Professional Conduct

- Maintain discipline, punctuality, and respectful behavior.
- Wear modest, appropriate clothing suitable for rural settings.
- Avoid any political, religious, or commercial promotion.

2. Engagement

- Spend time actively in community interaction, not just observation.
- Be open to listening, learning, and understanding without judgment.

3. Documentation

- Maintain a Daily Logbook.
- Use provided Survey Templates for structured data collection.
- Note qualitative observations about community practices and behaviors.

4. Communication

- Regularly update faculty mentors about progress and challenges.
- Inform concerned persons in case of illness or emergencies.

Expected Deliverables

ltem	Details			
Daily Logbook	Time-wise activity, observations			
Survey Forms	Household and village/community-level data			
Problem Statement	Clearly defined real issue identified			
Case Study	Well-documented report with evidence and insights			
Internship Summary Report (KCL)	Final formatted report with all components			

Code of Ethics

- Respect local culture, customs, and beliefs.
- Do not share sensitive community data publicly without permission.
- Refrain from taking unauthorized photographs or videos.
- Work collaboratively—do not impose your views.

Domains Covered in Social Internship

- 1. Health and Hygiene
- 2. Village Infrastructure
- 3. Water Conservation
- 4. Energy Utilization and Efficiency
- 5. Community Actions
- 6.Agriculture
- 7. Water and Sanitation
- 8. Waste Management
- 9. Digital Literacy & ICT for Rural Development
- 10. Women Empowerment & Gender Equality
- 11. Renewable Energy & Sustainability
- 12. Nutrition & Food Security
- 13. Disaster Preparedness & Community Resilience
- 14. Cultural Heritage and Community Narratives
- 15. Green Innovations & Tree Plantation
- 16. Livelihood and Entrepreneurship
- 17. Rural/Urban Education
- 18. Sports and Wellness Engagement
- 19. Skill Identification and Development
- 20. Mental Health & Well-Being

Guidelines

Important Guidelines

- Each day should contribute 8-10 active field hours.
- Work in groups where required, but contribute individually.
- Follow safety protocols, especially during outdoor/physical tasks.
- Keep in touch with faculty for guidance and approvals.

Evaluation Criteria

Component	Weightage		
Daily Log & Attendance	20%		
Survey & Field Data	20%		
Problem Statement	20%		
Case Study Report	30%		
Conduct & Participation	10%		

Social Internship Activities

- 1. Create a digital reel about the day's work.
- 2. Conduct a mini-survey and analyze 10 responses.
- 3. Interview a community elder about traditional knowledge.
- 4. Document a success story in your domain.
- 5. Identify and write a problem statement based on field observation.
- 6. Sketch a simple solution or prototype idea.
- 7. Design a poster or infographic on awareness (e.g., hygiene).
- 8. Edit and compile photos/videos from the day.
- 9. Create a social media post to promote community effort.
- 10. Conduct a household awareness session.
- 11. Facilitate a children's activity (quiz, drawing, storytelling).
- 12. Record a 2-min testimonial from a beneficiary.
- 13. Write a short reflective blog/article on the day.
- 14. Assist in organizing a community event or session.

Note: Every day, two activities must be completed. In one week, a total of fourteen activities should be completed.

Appendices

1. Daily Logbook Template

Date	Time Spent	Location Visited	Activities Performed	Key Observatio ns	Signature (Faculty/Fie ld Guide)
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					

Note: Social internship slot will be 7 days and remaining 3 days for final presentation and final report submission

Appendices

2. Weekly Planner Template

Day	Date	Focus Area/Them e	Planned Activities	Resources Needed	Expected Outcome
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					

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Final Report Format

Student Internship Summary Report

Student Details:

- Name:
- Roll Number:
- Department:
- Academic Year:

Internship Details:

- Domain:
- Duration:
- Location(s) of Internship:
- Faculty Mentor:
- Field Supervisor (if any):

Final Report Format

- **1. Introduction:** Brief overview of the village/community, location, demography, and general lifestyle.
- **2. Objectives:** Clearly outline the personal and institutional learning objectives for the internship.
- **3. Activities Undertaken:** Daily-wise or category-wise description of major activities conducted.
- **4. Problem Identified:** Description of one or more critical issues observed at the grassroots level.
- **5. Community Engagement:** Summary of how the student interacted with community members and stakeholders.
- **6. Surveys and Data Collected:** Household and village/community-level data summary and interpretation.
- **7. Solutions/Suggestions Proposed:** Innovative ideas, technical inputs, or feasible recommendations for the issues found.
- **8. SDG Mapping:** Identify which Sustainable Development Goals were addressed through the internship.
- **9. Reflection and Learnings:** Personal and professional insights gained from the experience.
- 10. Photographs (Geo-Tagging Images): Attach labeled, consented photos if available.
- **11. Conclusion:** Wrap-up of the internship experience and its overall impact.
- **12. Faculty Signature and Comments:** (Space for mentor's review and feedback)