

teaching. The volume also includes new sections on breaking bad news and interviewing with aged, racial/ethnic, and sexual minority populations. Revised vignettes reflect the challenges practitioners now face in the field and represent the interests of diverse students and scholars.

Segal, Gerdes and Steiner's AN INTRODUCTION TO THE PROFESSION OF SOCIAL WORK provides a balanced overview of the social work profession and helps students understand its role in the social welfare system. The authors' supportive tone and experiential approach inspire interest in and enthusiasm for careers in social work. Case studies, personal stories and exercises help students apply concepts and understand what it means to be a social worker. The book also encourages knowledge building and self-exploration skills that are essential in developing good social work practice. Part of the Brooks/Cole Empowerment Series, the sixth edition is up to date and thoroughly integrates the core competencies and recommended practice behaviors outlined in the most recent Educational Policy and Accreditation Standards (EPAS) set by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Sally Holland and Jonathan Scourfield explain what social work is and the range of cases it deals with. Looking at its history and main debates, as well as the theories and methods of social work, they include a range of case studies from around the world. Papers written for the Charlotte Towle Memorial Symposium on Comparative Theoretical Approaches to Case work Practice. In the field of social work, qualitative research is starting to gain more prominence as are mixed methods and various issues regarding race, ethnicity and gender. These changes in the field are reflected and updated in The Handbook of Social Work Research Methods, Second Edition. This text contains meta analysis, designs to evaluate treatment and provides the support to help students harness the power of the Internet. This handbook brings together leading scholars in research methods in social work.

Revised edition of the authors' Introduction to competence-based social work, [2014]

This brief is a practical reference contextualizing social casework methodology in a specifically Caribbean cultural and historical context. It emerged from the experiences of human services workers and educators working in the Caribbean. The concepts of social welfare policy and programs are relatively new to the Caribbean as historically Christian-based organizations and local communities took the responsibility of caring for those in need. As social problems grew more complicated and threatened the security of the nation (e.g., gang violence), it became clear that governments of these small island states needed to provide a systematic approach in dealing with these social problems to help their citizens have a better quality of life. Social Casework Methodology: A Skills Handbook for the Caribbean Human Services Worker outlines a systematic approach that human services workers will find useful while working with clients in the Caribbean. It also is an easy-to-use text that defines social casework methodology, components of the methods, case histories, and exercises for social work students interested in working in the human services sector in the Caribbean.

Conveys the breadth and depth of the social work profession's collective expertise, formulated and written by social workers from many backgrounds and competencies.

Announcements for the following year included in some vols.

Theories of Social Casework Chicago : University of Chicago Press

'Comprehensive and user-friendly. The book is helpfully constructed around a number of key themes, starting with a good attempt to define social work from historical and international perspectives and moving on to address key issues concerning the practice, knowledge, values and skills required from contemporary social work in the UK. I believe social work students, newly qualified and experienced social workers will find this a valuable resource, especially when one is confronted by challenges in practice' - Professional Social Work 'Social Work is a good overview that should refresh learner and tutor alike. Practice assessors may find this book a useful update for their work with students and also a neat refresher. It is a well-written and up-to-date text, with a good sense of where future challenges lie for the social work profession in the UK. Higham is confident enough to voice the profession's uncertainties as well as mapping the changing organisational landscape that social workers might populate. [This book] is likely to appear on many social work reading lists. [It has] the potential to provide good learning opportunities for post-qualifying as well as pre-qualifying training' - Health and Social Care in the Community 'The unique aspect of this book which distinguishes it from other competitors is that it is constructed explicitly around the key roles and benchmark statements... this book will offer something new and interesting to the growing field of social work education literature and is likely to be relevant to both students and practitioners in the UK and elsewhere' - Dr Caroline Skehill, Queens University Belfast What is the role of social work? What does it mean to be a social worker? What are the changes affecting social work training? Social Work: Introducing Professional Practice addresses these questions and provides an understanding of the knowledge, values, and skills requirements of professional social work. The author has played a key role in constructing the subject benchmarks for the social work degree and offers a reflective and thoughtful commentary upon training, education and practice. Written in a lively and readable style, the book captures the essence of the changes sweeping through social work and engages the reader in these debates. Key features of this book include: - Comprehensive content structured around the guidelines for training and practice - Bridges the gap between theory and real-life practice - Student-friendly features such as case-studies, discussion questions, further reading and a glossary This exciting publication will be a core textbook for trainee social workers as they progress through the qualifying social work degree, or as they begin their practice as newly qualified workers seeking to consolidate their learning.

Understanding how theory informs social work practice is an area that students can often find challenging. This book will help students understand how theory impacts and informs social work practice across a range of contexts and with different service user groups. It starts off by briefly setting the context, introducing students to the importance of social work theory and its development over the years, before moving on to look at different types of theory across 17 tightly structured chapters. These cover a range of psychological theories, sociological theories, ethics and moral philosophies, political theories and ideologies, and organisational theories.

This book is a quick and accessible reference guide to the key concepts that social work students and professionals need to understand to be effective. The authors place practice at the centre of the text, and include a host of case examples to bring the concepts to life. Examining the essential topics of the social work curriculum, the concepts covered relate to practice, theory, policy and personal challenges. Further reading is included in each entry, so that the reader can explore what they have learned in more detail. This book will be an invaluable resource for social work students during their studies and on their practice placement. It will also be useful for qualified social workers, who want to continue their professional education.

Social welfare has a three-thousand-year history in Western society. This book offers a sociological framework that provides conceptual order to the countless details of that history, while highlighting its essentials. Social welfare in all its forms is based on one central concept--help.

But there are many versions of help and multiple debates about those versions. The outcomes of some debates have led to withholding help, and these outcomes are an inescapable part of this domain, in the past and in the present. The major versions, their development, and the debates are carefully examined in this volume. *Social Welfare in Western Society* argues that in history five basic concepts of help have emerged. These five, explored and developed are: charity, based on a relationship between private donors and recipients; public welfare, based on a relationship between the state and its recipients; social insurance, based on a relationship between the state and beneficiaries of its programs; social service, based on people skilled in interaction providing skill-based time to their clients; mutual aid groups (sometimes misleadingly called self-help groups), whose members are simultaneously helpers and those helped. There are multiple versions of each of these five concepts now usually referred to as social policy issues. There are fierce disagreements about what is helpful and which supposed forms of help are harmful to the wider society. The book concludes that major debates have centered and continue to center around these major issues: Should the poor be helped or punished? Who is to blame? Do the poor have the same rights as other people? Who should pay? Who should decide? What is the effect of receiving welfare on incentive to work? Who should be helped? This is a masterful text designed for professional and public reading. Gerald Handel is professor emeritus of sociology at The City College and The Graduate Center, City University of New York. He is the author of *Making a Life in Yorkville: Experience and Meaning in the Life Course Narrative of an Urban Working-Class Man*, editor of *Childhood Socialization*, and co-editor of *The Psychosocial Interior of the Family*, all published by Transaction Publishers.

This practical guide will help students navigate through all core areas of their course by providing them with a comprehensive introduction to contemporary social work. Written by subject experts, including best-selling *Transforming Social Work Practice* authors, this essential guide will introduce students to key theory and approaches, helping them to develop and build the skills and knowledge that they will need for practice.

This ebook is a selective guide designed to help scholars and students of social work find reliable sources of information by directing them to the best available scholarly materials in whatever form or format they appear from books, chapters, and journal articles to online archives, electronic data sets, and blogs. Written by a leading international authority on the subject, the ebook provides bibliographic information supported by direct recommendations about which sources to consult and editorial commentary to make it clear how the cited sources are interrelated. A reader will discover, for instance, the most reliable introductions and overviews to the topic, and the most important publications on various areas of scholarly interest within this topic. In social work, as in other disciplines, researchers at all levels are drowning in potentially useful scholarly information, and this guide has been created as a tool for cutting through that material to find the exact source you need. This ebook is a static version of an article from *Oxford Bibliographies Online: Social Work*, a dynamic, continuously updated, online resource designed to provide authoritative guidance through scholarship and other materials relevant to the study and practice of social work. *Oxford Bibliographies Online* covers most subject disciplines within the social science and humanities, for more information visit www.aboutobo.com.

This book deals effectively with relevant aspects of the nationally approved exit level outcomes that were formulated by the Social Work Standards Generating Body. It comes at a time when the Professional Board for Social Work, under the auspices of the South African Council for Social Services and ASASWEI, is embarking on a process of benchmarking the BSW programmes of each social work school or department against the nationally approved exit level outcomes. This comprehensive book deals with a range of issues, from the early history of social work, to working with individuals and small groups in contemporary debates around economic policy, and macro level intervention, management, administration and research. It also covers youth at risk, HIV/AIDS, child sexual abuse and addiction as particular fields of practice. No introductory social work text would be complete without covering the salient areas of poverty, diversity and multicultural practice, values and ethics and theories for practice -- this book has it all! It is a must for all students of social work . . . and with the move towards Continuing Professional Development, social work practitioners would do well to own one too!

B> Providing a broad overview of the field and profession of social work, this book stresses the link between professional education and practice. It offers both a historical perspective on the development of social work and current social work practice paradigms, with special consideration of current social problems. The introductory theoretical base of the text highlights the trend toward the generalist perspective and model of practice. Part I provides a historical and theoretical context for social work, including its relationship to other social services. Part II discusses social work practice with individuals, groups, and communities, including case work, administration, and research. Social work services are discussed in Part III, including the role of social work in mental health, health care, the public schools, public welfare, child and family services, Social Security, the correctional system, the workplace, and working with the aged. Areas receiving special attention include drug abuse, work with minorities, and social work in rural areas. Part IV covers professional development, including the current focus on prevention and future opportunities. For anyone considering social work as a profession or interested in a current overview of the field.

A timely revision in this global age, *Human Behavior and the Social Environment, Macro Level* develops a sophisticated and original view of the cultural, global, spiritual, and natural worlds that people inhabit, and explores the impact of these worlds on human behavior. An ecosystems/sustainability framework emerges as a key characteristic of contemporary practice. What is sustainable social work? What are the characteristics of a sustainable community? How is the present exploitation of environmental resources unsustainable for future generations? In accordance with the 2015 Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) standards, attention is paid to environmental justice as well as diversity and difference.

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