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social work practitioners write for a variety of publications and they are expected to show fluency in a number of related fields whether the target is a course instructor scholarly journal fellowship organization or general news outlet social workers must be clear persuasive and comprehensive in their writing especially on provocative subjects this first of its kind guide features top scholars and educators providing a much needed introduction to social work writing and scholarship foregrounding the process of social work writing the coeditors

particularly emphasize how to think about and approach one's subject in a productive manner the guide begins with an overview of social work writing from the 1880s to the present and then follows with ideal strategies for academic paper writing social work journal writing and social work research writing a section on applied professional writing addresses student composition in field education writing for and about clinical practice the effective communication of policy information to diverse audiences program and proposal development advocacy and administrative writing the concluding section focuses on specific fields of practice including writing on child and family welfare contemporary social issues aging and intervention in global contexts grounding their essays in systematic observations induction and deduction and a wealth of real world examples the contributors describe the conceptualization development and presentation of social work writing in ways that better secure its power and relevance

developed as a companion to the writer's handbook for social work the third edition of 12 workshops for writing in social work offers students a series of one hour workshops which can be completed individually or through group instruction each workshop builds upon the last to deepen learners' skillsets using a systematic and comprehensive approach together both books provide a foundation for a social work writing class in the first workshop students learn how to write freely to combat their writer's block they are then ready to develop solid editing skills such as adapting their voice for academic and professional audiences using the active voice being concise and punctuating accurately building skill in punctuation supports learners in filling their learning gaps in grammar and becoming confident with their writing abilities students are provided with opportunities to flex their skillsets and test their learning throughout the guide the book culminates in a capstone activity in which students prepare a grant proposal and presentation engaging and highly practical 12 workshops for writing in social work is an essential guide for aspiring and in practice social workers along with the writer's handbook for social work this companion workbook is perfect for a class dedicated to improving writing skills in social work

as a social worker you are required to communicate in writing for a wide range of purposes and audiences this text guides you through all you need to know to develop your social work writing skills essential elements of written communication writing skills in daily practice macro practice writing skills obtaining resources and creating change influencing your professional context now with two new chapters on writing for local mass media and writing for social media hot tips for effective writing reflective exercises further reading are included in every chapter to help you cement your skills and become a confident and effective written communicator

writing is an important skill not just for a social work degree but also as an integral part of practice social workers need to be able to write effectively in a range of formats for different contexts equipping students with guidance on both academic and assessed writing and writing in social work practice this book will use case studies and examples to develop their ability to plan and respond to the challenges of new and

familiar writing tasks

you write something so that it can be read not in order that it can be written write reports that achieve and illuminate the third edition of the best selling writing analytical assessments in social work guides you through the principles of good writing and methodically shows you how to analyse how to structure the process of writing an assessment researching chronologising informed data gathering putting it all together how to get this done under time constraints how to break down the practical and psychological barriers to good practice and how to turn good analysis into useful recommendations this new edition features brand new content on subjects such as decision making and cognitive fallacies in assessment how to conduct analysis on domestic violence and systematic thinking and reflexivity in assessment there are also updates on mca assessments new legislation and documents written in an accessible way and packed with examples and case studies this book is both practically minded and constantly returning to first principles reminding you what it is you are trying to achieve and teaching you how to write reports that can be read by families and judges alike you will learn how to write high quality useful and timely assessments without becoming mechanistic or managerial this book kills the myth of a trade off between efficiency and quality of work writing analytical assessments in social work is an essential companion whether you are a newly qualified social worker a student about to undertake your first placement or a seasoned professional looking to improve your skills it is also suitable for all branches of social work

this accessible book aims to help social workers write clearly accurately and objectively in all contexts so that they can communicate effectively with multiple audiences the book gives social workers practical guidance and advice on how to write unambiguously efficiently and analytically demonstrating how important writing skills are to the professional identity of social workers topics covered include techniques for planning and organising your writing a refresher on grammar rules to enable you to write with clarity viewing critical writing as part of the process of decision making and thinking guidance on using professional anti oppressive language and vocabulary appropriate to different audiences advice on all communication types including emails letters case notes reports funding applications text messages and social media information on the legal frameworks you need to be aware of when recording events conversations and recommendations each chapter contains exercises and examples of good analytical writing to help writers to develop their own competence case studies drawn from real scenarios relate the skills being discussed directly to practice this book is an indispensable manual for all social work students newly qualified social workers and experienced professionals who want a practical guide to improving their writing communication including writing skills is an essential aspect of effective social work practice taking a practical and reflective approach this text covers the foundations of professional writing in social work writing matters and this text serves as a useful resource to engage in and master effective writing skills for social work students all the way to seasoned social work practitioners barbra teater professor of social work college of

staten island city university of new york usa this book forms part of the social work skills in practice series the series focuses on key social work skills required for working with children and adult service users families and carers the books offer both theoretical and evidence informed knowledge alongside the application of skills relevant for day to day social work practice they are an invaluable resource for pre qualifying students newly qualified social workers academics teaching and researching in the field as well as social work practitioners including practice educators pursuing continuous professional development louise frith is a student learning advisor at the university of kent uk specialising in writing skills and writing for academic purposes she teaches across disciplines including working with students on the ba and ma social work programmes ruben martin is honorary senior lecturer in social work at the university of kent uk and a freelance practice educator and consultant he has also authored teamworking skills for social workers in this social work skills in practice series

many students and qualified workers in all areas of social work feel apprehension at the prospect of writing a formal report for a court or tribunal writing may be a fundamental skill but it is one that students and practitioners cannot afford to take for granted recent reviews baby p serious case review processes highlighted the need for clear reports recording and written communication between professionals this practical and accessible textbook presents the report writing process in a clear and straightforward way from methods of collecting and presenting evidence to drawing conclusions and writing up a final report

this invaluable guide helps social workers develop the writing skills necessary for a successful career actual examples drawn from all arenas of social work demonstrate strong and problematic writing organized around the core social work curriculum the book s examples are applicable to every foundation course each example begins with field notes and proceeds through drafts to the final version with explanations about corrections readers learn by doing through exercises interspersed throughout written by a social work and an english professor the book provides a fusion of writing and practice covering all the tools necessary for developing professional social work writing skills key features provides chapters for each of the bsw msw foundational courses hbse practice policy research and fieldwork to exemplify writing expectations in each area juxtaposes original drafts and corrected final versions with explanations about corrections made to highlight common mistakes includes writing samples used in actual practice such as research reports court documentation grant applications intake forms progress notes press releases and case assessments that exemplify every day challenges provides self assessments and exercises to help readers identify their strengths and challenges highlights typical writing challenges including sentence structure punctuation use of voice and excessive verbiage and sample resumes and cover letters providing a valuable lifetime resource encourages practice in writing in different contexts and with different audiences to prepare readers for working in any social work venue covers legal and ethical issues and writing to influence policy and transmit research findings new to this edition emphasizes writing fundamentals new ch 1 by breaking the process into

steps from note taking to rough drafts to editing the final version to help students master most writing tasks connects critical thinking new ch 2 and cultural competency skills new ch 3 to writing and infuses this information throughout the book addresses cswe 2015 epas and competencies to better prepare readers for writing professional documentation discusses the use of the apa style used in social work practice provides instructor s resources including power points a sample syllabus and assignments tips and activities for using the book in writing and foundational courses designed for writing specific social work courses such as interviewing and documentation professional seminars as well as writing modules in all bsw and msw foundation courses this book is ideal for anyone interested in strengthening their social work writing skills

this concise accessible and engaging handbook offers a companion for social work students to acquire professional and competency based writing skills written by experienced educators the book builds writing proficiency by introducing a social work based guide to academic writing and professional communication each chapter addresses a specific area of social work writing and development progressing from coursework and beginning fieldwork to practice based assessments and reports the authors integrate a series of scaffolded activities throughout for readers to cultivate awareness and further technique and with sections explaining contemporary communication methods and common writing challenges readers will be prepared to use technology both to strengthen their writing and to ease the overall process excellent for use in courses across the social work curriculum and as a personal guide the handbook for social work writing provides students with on the spot guidance for any type of academic or professional writing assignment

based on original research this book offers students an insight into the nature and challenges of writing in social work practice enabling them to improve their writing skills it explores the ways in which both students and qualified social workers can be more effective in their writing through an awareness of the purpose context and audience it makes explicit the connections and differences between learning to write in university and communicating through writing in practice and explores the impact that new technologies have on academic and professional writing drawing on both research and examples from practice effective writing for social work is a valuable tool for students educators practitioners and managers to critically examine ways in which writing could better support best practice in social work

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this book will equip social work students with the knowledge skills and confidence to produce first rate written assignments part one focuses on

the foundational skills needed to produce excellent written work students are taken through the core stages of working on an assignment from planning the task and reading and note making through to finding and evaluating sources drafting a text and editing and proofreading part two hones in on the key types of assignment students will encounter on their degree it contains dedicated chapters on writing an essay a reflective text a case study analysis a literature review a placement report and case notes on placement each chapter contains examples and activities which will help students to test their knowledge and understanding this is an essential companion for all social work students

the social work assignments handbook is the complete guide to preparing for carrying out and writing up a social work assignment or project designed to support students through their assignments from beginning to end each stage is fully explained through friendly advice and practical guidance so that students can feel confident in their work whether they re writing up quantitative research findings or carrying out a literature review

i can say without equivocation this text is without doubt the best book about social work i have read chris beckett explores the purpose values activities and theories of social work in an ever changing social context that is clearly identified and examined stephanie petrie university of liverpool every day social workers face decisions that will significantly impact others lives and it is essential that these practical assessments are supported by a sound understanding of social work theory in this innovative and highly accessible textbook chris beckett explains how an understanding of these theoretical issues can improve the knowledge and skills base of professional practice essential theory for social work practice is an engaging and readable text with a distinctively realistic and honest approach to the realities of everyday practice framed in a comprehensive and logical structure part 1 establishes what social workers do and the tools they need part 2 considers how to assess handle and support change in others part 3 explores the wide range of roles that social workers must fulfil part 4 strengthens these links between theory and practice exercises case examples chapter summaries and practice notes are used to great effect in each chapter enabling students to apply theory to practice as they progress through the book the book is an invaluable core text for all undergraduate social work students and offers excellent support for practitioners in their every day practice

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first published in 1997 this volume presents a critical analysis of how social work is formulated in everyday practice christopher hall sets the task of exploring how social workers make their work visible and justifiable through their talk and writing the analysis examines

conversations and documents in which social workers describe and justify their work in research interviews reports and case notes social workers construct convincing occupational stories to convince judges supervisors and other critical readers and listeners drawing on narrative analysis hall explores how such language practices create characters plots and address audiences at the time of publication the use of reflexive writing was seen as controversial however this study was a forerunner to what has become a flourishing scholarship in narrative and reflexivity in social work writing and practice

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