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Paradoxes in Social Work Practice

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Decolonizing Pathways towards Integrative Healing in Social Work

In this provocative examination of the fall of the profession of social work from its original mission to aid and serve the underprivileged, Harry Specht and Mark Courtney show how America’s excessive trust in individualistic solutions to social problems have led to the abandonment of the poor in this country. A large proportion of all certified social workers today have left the social services to enter private practice, thereby turning to the middle class for those who can afford psychotherapy — and away from the poor. As Specht and Courtney persuasively demonstrate, if social work continues to drift in this direction there is good reason to expect that the profession will be entirely subsumed by psychotherapy within the next twenty years, leaving a huge gap in the provision of social services traditionally filled by social workers. The authors examine the waste of public funds this trend occasions, as social workers educated with public money abandon community service in increasing numbers.

One Hundred Years of Social Work

One Hundred Years of Social Work is the first comprehensive history of social work as a profession in English Canada. Organized chronologically, it provides a critical and compelling look at the historical and contemporary social work profession over the course of a century and investigates the responses of social workers to significant events and trends. A central theme in the book is the long-standing struggle of the professional association (the Canadian Association of Social Workers) and individual social workers to reconcile advancement of professional status with the promotion of social action. The book chronicles the early history of the secularization and professionalization of social work and examines social workers roles during both world wars, the Depression, and in the era of postwar reconstruction. It includes sections on civil defense, the Cold War, unionization, social work education, regulation of the profession, and other key developments up to the end of the twentieth century. Drawing on extensive archival research as well as personal interviews and secondary literature, the authors provide strong academic evidence of a profession that has endured many important changes and continues to advocate for a just society and a responsive social welfare state. One Hundred Years of Social Work will be of interest to social workers, social work students and educators, social historians, professional associations and anyone interested in understanding the complex nature of people and institutions.

Social Work Practice in Canada

Taking a new and innovative angle on social work, this book seeks to remedy the lack of holistic perspectives currently used in Western social work practice by exploring integrative healing. It introduces the conceptualizations and theoretical underpinnings that are central to this new form of social work practice. Situating integrative healing within social work education and theory, the book takes an interdisciplinary approach, drawing from social memory and historical trauma, contemplative traditions, storytelling, healing literatures, integrative health, and the traditional environmental knowledge of Indigenous Peoples. In exploring issues of water, creative expression, movement, contemplation, animals, and the natural world in relation to social work practice, the book will appeal to all scholars, practitioners, and community members interested in decolonization and Indigenous studies.

Essential Law for Social Work Practice in Canada

Social Work in Health and Mental Health

This book provides an overview of the income security system in Canada - its historical development, its programs and benefits, and the major policy debates in this field. With this introductory text, students will develop an understanding of the many income security programs and policies in Canada, how they fit together, and how they work (or fail to work) in practice.

One Hundred Years of Social Work

This is an essential introduction to the profession of social work, providing an overview of social work in Canada today. It offers a concise and comprehensive overview of the field, covering topics such as social work education, practice, and policy. This book is a valuable resource for students, practitioners, and anyone interested in understanding the role of social work in contemporary society.

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Paradoxes in Social Work Practice

"Social Welfare in Canada: Understanding Income Security", Second Edition provides an overview of the income security system in Canada - its historical development, its programs and benefits, and the major policy debates in this field. With this introductory text, students will develop an understanding of the many income security programs and policies in Canada, how they fit together, and how they work (or fail to work) in practice.

Diversity and Social Work in Canada

This textbook should be considered essential reading for social work students new to or seeking to specialize in aging, as well as those interested in the application of anti-oppressive work; sites and sectors of health and social care; managing risk and frailty; moral, ethical and legal questions about aging including medical assistance in dying; caregiving; dementia and citizenship; to issues, realities, and contexts that are largely absent in social work education and gerontological practice, including important developments in our understanding of age/ism; theories of aging and social communities. AGO principles are applied to direct and indirect practice and a range of topics of relevance to social work practice in the context of a rapidly aging and increasingly diverse world. Weaving together stories from diverse older adults, theories, research, and practical tools, this unique textbook prompts social workers to think differently and push back against oppressive forces. It pays attention to issues, realities, and contexts that are largely absent in social work education and gerontological practice, including important developments in our understanding of age/ism; theories of aging and social work; sites and sectors of health and social care; managing risk and frailty; moral, ethical and legal questions about aging including medical assistance in dying; caregiving; dementia and citizenship; trauma; and much more. This textbook should be considered essential reading for social work students new to or seeking to specialize in aging, as well as those interested in the application of anti-oppressive principles to working with older adults and researching later life.

Social Work in a Corporate Era

How should social workers adapt to a time of widespread instability and uncertainty? How can social work practice account for the ever-increasing infiltration of technology and media images into our daily lives and mental states? In this book, Ken Moffatt turns to postmodern Murphy’s grappling with late capitalism and the omnipresence of technology in order to develop a new approach to reflective social work practice and critical pedagogy. Postmodern Social Work attempts to reconcile postmodern thinkers with the realities of teaching social work to diverse student populations in
a precocious era. Moffatt advocates an ideal of reflective practice that allows social workers to combine direct experience, social welfare, and social justice. Through a series of interlocking essays focused on the theoretical underpinnings of reflective practice in the profession, drawing on the experiences of social workers in practice, Michael Foucault, Judith Butler, Julia Kristeva, Gilles Deleuze, and Félix Guattari, Moffatt lays out a path forward for reflective social work, providing new ways of thinking that collapse old categories and integrate direct practice with community engagement and social analysis. Postmodern Social Work offers an approach to practice and teaching that considers the shifting landscape of social change while remaining true to social work's primary concerns of inclusion and justice.

Unfaithful Angels The Black Power movement has often been portrayed in history and popular culture as the quintessential “bad boy” of modern black movement-making in America. Yet this impression misses the full extent of Black Power’s contributions to U.S. society, especially in regard to black professionals in social work. Relying on extensive archival research and oral history interviews, Joyce M. Bell follows two groups of black social workers in the 1960s and 1970s as they mobilized Black Power ideas, strategies, and tactics to change their national professional associations. Comparing black dissenters within the National Federation of Settlements (NFS), who fought for concessions from within their organization, and those within the National Conference on Social Welfare (NCSW), who ultimately adopted a separate identity and work, shows how social work values and institutional affiliations influence their strategies before they tackle the material. The author shares her extensive knowledge of the era by providing useful test-taking strategies and tips for overcoming test anxiety. The 170-question practice test at the end of the guide (with explanations of the correct answers) mirrors the actual exam in both length and structure.

Social Work ASWB Masters Exam Guide This edited collection offers an original critical clinical approach to social work practice, written by social work educators from the School of Social Work at Dalhousie University and their collaborators. It provides a Canadian perspective on the diverse issues social workers encounter in the field, highlighting the practical application of feminist, narrative, anti-racism, and postcolonial frameworks. With the aim of producing counterstories that participate in social resistance, this volume focuses on integrating critical theory with direct clinical practice. Through the use of case studies, the contributors tackle a range of substantive issues including ethics, working with complex trauma, men’s use of violence, substance use among women and girls, Indigenous social work praxis, critical child welfare approaches, counterstoryting experiences of (dis)Ability, and animal-informed social work practice.

Social Work in Mental Health

Mental Health Social Work Practice in Canada Weaving together interdisciplinary theory and research, as well as the results from a national survey of practitioners, the authors describe a spiritually oriented model for practice that places clients’ challenges and goals within the context of their deepest meanings and highest aspirations. Using richly detailed case examples and thought-provoking activities, this highly engaging, measurable values oriented and conceptually-oriented text moves beyond narrative approaches to integrate connections between spiritual diversity and cultural, gender, and sexual orientation diversity; and offers insights from Buddhist, Christianity, Confucianism, Hinduism, Indigenous religions, Islam, Judaism, Existentialism, and Transpersonal theory. Energetically practical, it guides professionals in understanding and assessing spiritual development and related mental health issues and outlines techniques that support transformation and resilience, such as meditation, mindfulness, ritual, forgiveness, and engagement of individual and community-based spiritual support systems.

Spiritual Diversity in Social Work Practice

Mental Health Social Work Practice in Canada Social workers are the profession that claims to intervene to enhance people’s well-being. However, social workers have played a low-key role in environmental issues that increasingly impact on people’s well-being, both locally and globally. This compelling new contribution confronts this topic-head on, examining environmental issues from a social work perspective. Lena Connel describes the important voices of practitioners working on the ground in the aftermath of environmental disasters, whether these be caused by climate change, industry, or human conflict. The author explores the concept of ‘green social work’ and its role in using environmental crises to address poverty and other forms of structural inequalities, to obtain more equitable allocations of limited natural resources and to tackle global socio-political forces that have a damaging impact upon the quality of life of poor and marginalized populations at local levels. The resolution of these matters is linked to community initiatives that social workers can engage in to ensure that the quality of life of poor and marginalized populations can be enhanced without costing the Earth. This important book will appeal to those in the fields of social work, social policy, sociology and human geography. It powerfully reveals how environmental issues are an integral part of social work’s remit if it is to retain its currency in the modern world and emphasizes its relevance to the social issues that societies have to resolve in the twenty-first century.

One Hundred Years of Social Work For much of the twentieth century, professional social work sought to distance itself from its religious origins with the consequence being that the role of spirituality in the lives of service users tended to be sidelined. Yet, it is clear that many people begin to explore their spirituality precisely at times when they are trying to make sense of difficult life circumstances or experiences and may come into contact with social workers. In recent years, there has been an increasing understanding that in order to be relevant to the lives of people they work with, social workers need to go beyond their material needs, but is there little understanding of how spirituality can be sensitively incorporated into practice, especially when either practitioners or service users have no religious affiliation? This book sets a path forward in which spirituality values and beliefs may be integrated into the lives of service users, allowing service users to respond from their own framework and to begin to discuss the specific religious or spiritual practices and beliefs which are important to them. She considers spirituality in the context of lived experience, a perspective that she argues breaks down any mystique and suspicion of explicitly religious language by focusing on language and experiences with which most people can identify. Such an approach allows social workers to understand the spiritual components that emerge for religious and those who do not identify with any formal religion. Most literature on spirituality within social work refers to the elderly, to those who are sick or have been bereaved, yet, as Crisp points out, spirituality is important for people of all ages and not just at seemingly exceptional moments.

The Black Power Movement and American Social Work In the helping professions, codes of ethics and decision-making models have been the primary vehicles for determining what constitutes ethical practice. These strategies are insufficient since they assume that shared meanings exist and that the contradictory universal principles of codes can be reconciled. Also, these tools do not emphasize the significance of context and understanding. This book takes a new critical-theoretical approach, which involves social workers conducting what is ethical in their work, especially when they are positioned at the intersection of multiple paradoxes, including that of two opposing responsibilities in society: namely, to care for others but also to prevent others from harm. The book is built on narratives from actual front-line workers and therefore is more applicable and grounded for practitioners and students, offering many suggestions for sound practice. It illustrates that an understanding of ethics differs from worker to worker and is heavily influenced by context, work role, and relationships. It ends with a number of case studies that frame their perceptions of the profession. While recognizing the oppressive potential of social work, the book is rooted in a perspective that ethical practice can contribute to a more socially just society.

Law for Social Workers “ Canadian Social Policy for Social Workers demystifies Canadian social policy for social work students by exploring how social policy shapes and regulates our daily lives. The 16 researchers and practitioners demonstrate that the study of social policy is a crucial dimension in all social work practice. The text’s focus on the impact of social policy on social categories and specific social issues helps students understand that social policy is ‘real,’ tangible, and a window that demonstrates the values and approaches to welfare in Canadian society. Drawing on a critical perspective and
Social Work in Canada: An Introduction, Third Edition

101 Careers in Social Work, Second Edition Social Work in Mental Health brings together a range of scholarly reflections and writings on the different roles of a social worker in the field of mental health. It provides a holistic picture to introduce readers to the wider issues of social work and mental health practice. Concepts and Theories for Practice begins with an exploration of the context of social work practice. It offers opportunities to consider global perspectives on mental health, as well as relevant historical, contemporary, and emerging trends and ideologies from around the world. The book provides a detailed discussion on the theoretical and practice frameworks that are based on social justice and human rights perspectives. It not only provides an overview of intervention strategies but also directs readers' attention to an alternative way of addressing mental health issues. The author presents a cross-cultural and global perspective of mental health, but with specific references to India and Asia. He also addresses some of the recent debates in recovery, partnerships and strengths-based practices. The book has been specially designed for social work students, human service professionals and mental health practitioners and academicians.

Sociality and Social Change in Social Work provides an introduction to the key concepts and contemporary issues in social work in Canada. It is intended for those who may be thinking of entering the social services, for social work students and for allied professionals seeking a basic understanding of the field. Social workers are an essential part of life in Canada. Throughout our lives, we are constantly faced with numerous events such as illness, accidents, injuries, illness, unemployment, violence and death. Social workers are concerned with helping individuals, families and communities face such events and move on to enhance their individual and collective well-being. This book introduces the reader to the fundamentals of social practice in the context of such challenges as inequality, poverty, homelessness, violence, globalization and discrimination.

Social Work and Social Change The need has never been more crucial for community health providers, programs, and organizations to have access to training in addressing the unique behavioral health challenges of war-affected populations. This book was originally published as a special issue of the Journal of Family Social Work.

Gerontological Social Work in Action offers a unique focus on evidence-based interventions, critical thinking, and diversity. School Social Work: A Direct Practice Guide, by JoAnn Jarolmen, covers the foundations of school children and their families. Each chapter reviews a basic concept and then provides in-depth activities that allow readers to apply the concepts to a variety of client populations. Practical, hands-on experiences, best practice approaches, and case examples throughout the book allow readers to see assessments and techniques in action and increase their understanding of the nuances and complexities of working in a school environment.

Postmodern Social Work A striking new feature of the welfare systems in many Western countries is the extent to which market relations have permeated social services. Conceptions of 'risk management' now dominate the way parents and children are responded to, while new technologies aim to 'measure' their relationship with state service providers. Bureaucratic control is increasing, while resources are reduced. These factors have led to the demise of the traditional role of the social worker as one who engages with the client in a supportive manner. Professional competence in social work is increasingly tied to 'mastering' scientific knowledge and new technical skills. The result of collaboration between authors from Canada, Britain and Australia, Social Work in a Corporate Era offers a critical overview of these developments and their implications. It provides a re-evaluation of the assumptions and practices of the critical social work tradition and explores the possibility of rebuilding an 'emancipatory' corporate sector. No other book challenges the corporate role of the welfare state. Calling for the development of a new politics of social work practice, this book addresses many of the urgent issues facing welfare state practitioners in health and social services today.

The Canadian Woman's Annual and Social Service Directory One Hundred Years of Social Work is the first comprehensive history of social work as a profession in English Canada. Organized chronologically, it provides a critical and compelling look at the internal struggles and debates in the social work profession over the course of a century and investigates the responses of social workers to several important events. A wide range of the book's chapters is of particular interest to students of the Canadian Association of Social Workers. An in-depth exploration of the professional status with the promotion social action. The book chronicles the early history of the secularization and professionalization of social work and examines social workers roles during both world wars, the Depression, and in the era of postwar reconstruction. It includes sections on civil defence, the Cold War, unionization, social work education, regulation of the profession, and other key developments of the twentieth century. Drawing upon historical and contemporary literature, the authors provide strong academic evidence of a profession that has endured many important changes and continues to advocate for a just society and a responsive social welfare state. One Hundred Years of Social Work will be of interest to social workers, social work students and educators, social historians, professional associations and anyone interested in understanding the complex nature of people and institutions.

Encyclopedia of Social Work with Groups This book explains the effects of war and armed conflict on individual children and their family system, and how culturally responsive social work practice should take into account the diversity and heterogeneity of their needs and lived experiences. Unpacking social work practice with children and families affected by war and migration, the volume provides a valuable tool for social work educators and practitioners. The editors suggest the need for greater cultural awareness and an increased focus on conflict and cultural work. The volume offers resources for practice and includes guidelines for professional education and training around cultural competence. It is designed to help social work practitioners to reconceptualize the field of social work as it applies to children and families affected by armed conflict. Providing a critical reflection of social work education and practice, this book will be of interest to practitioners in the field of social work, as well as researchers studying the social effects of migration. This book was originally published as a special issue of the Journal of Family Social Work.

Green Social Work The only Canadian textbook to offer a comprehensive overview of the legal and policy framework for mental health practice in social work, this text combines analysis of case studies with carefully examined evidence-based practices. Accessible, rigorous, and grounded in research, this book outlines the social work practices that will best assist individuals and families struggling with mental health challenges.

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Handbook of Military Social Work: This popular career guide has been completely revised and updated to reflect current accreditation standards, core competencies, and licensing requirements. It also highlights new opportunities for social workers that have been created as a result of health care reform and the passage of the Affordable Care Act.

School Social Work: Mental Health School Social Work Practice in Canada is a concise yet comprehensive introduction to the nature of mental health issues and the legal and policy framework within which treatment is provided. Written by leading experts in the field, this highly readable text teaches students about the evidence-based social work practices that will best help individuals and families living with mental health challenges. This third edition has been fully updated to reflect recent research and legislation, and includes new coverage of the impacts of social media, the legalization of cannabis, medical assistance in dying, and the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on the health care system.

Social Work Practice with War-Affected Children: All of us, as Canadians, are touched throughout our lives by some aspect of social welfare, either as recipients, donors, or taxpayers. But despite the importance of the social network in our country, there has been no single source of information about this critical component of our society. Even professionals in the field of social work or social services have not had a comprehensive volume addressing the myriad features of this critical societal structure. The Encyclopedia of Canadian Social Work fills this need. Over five hundred topics important to Canadian social work are covered, written by a highly diverse group of social workers covering all aspects of the field and all areas of the country. Practitioners, policy makers, academics, social advocates, researchers, students, and administrators present a rich overview of the diversity and complexity of social work and social welfare as it exists in Canada. The principal finding from this project underscores the long-held perception that there is a Canadian model of social work that is unique and stands as a useful model to other countries. The Encyclopedia of Canadian Social Work will be an important source of information, both to Canadians and to interested groups around the world. The Encyclopedia of Canadian Social Work is available in e-book version by subscription or from university and college libraries through the following vendors: Canadian Electronic Library, EBrary, MyiLibrary, and NetLibrary.

Wichlitzik: This ground-breaking new work provides a detailed and extensive comparison of how the physical environment has been conceptualized in social work and other professions, and offers a new and attractive foundational metaphor for social work. The author acknowledges the need for greater awareness and action regarding environmental impacts and the book promotes more comprehensive notions of responsibility, identity, and stewardship that lead to a dynamic metaphor of people as place as the foundation for relevant social work practice in the early 21st century. Why is that a profession with a declared focus on "person-in-environment" has been so silent on the environmental crisis? Mainstream social work theory has failed to maintain the understanding of environment to include merely the social environment but also the broader environment of human beings. This new perspective is important for participants to experience the reality and necessity of responsibility, identity, and stewardship that have been developed on the fringes of our professional community: rural/remote social workers, Aboriginal social workers, and international and spiritual social workers. They must now move to the core of the profession.

Encyclopedia of Canadian Social Work: Multicultural Social Work in Canada is divided into two sections. Section one outlines the knowledge and skills required for effective multicultural practice. Chapters in this introductory section discuss such topics as culturally competent social work with individuals, families, and communities; social policy; working with people who immigrated to Canada; and working in the context of racial pluralism in diverse communities of Canada. Section two contains personal narratives of social work with Canadians of different ethno-racial backgrounds, such as Italian, Arab, Jewish, Ukrainian, Aboriginal, Africa, Caribbean, South Asian, and Franco-Ontarian. Each chapter in this section focuses on the author’s experiences working with the community under study at varying levels of practice-family, group, and community. This section offers a starting point for readers to reflect on their own experiences and assumptions of multicultural practice with diverse ethno-racial communities. Major themes include differential processes in seeking help, the importance of taking into account a community’s history or an individual’s age, gender, acculturation, or socio-economic status when developing strategies for social work in multicultural settings.

Critical Clinical Social Work: Counterstorying for Social Justice: This comprehensive handbook presents major theories of social work practice with groups and explores contemporary issues in designing and evaluating interventions. Students and practitioners gain an in-depth view of the many ways that groups are used to help people address personal problems, cope with disabilities, strengthen families and communities, resolve conflict, achieve social change, and more. Offering authoritative coverage of theoretical, practical, and methodological concerns—coupled with a clear focus on empowerment and diversity—this is an outstanding text for group work and direct practice courses.

Multicultural Social Work in Canada: Social problems are usually the result of a variety of factors ranging from the private to the public in nature, yet social workers all too often deal only with the problems of individuals. Social Work and Social Change in Canada challenges this and urges social work practitioners to assume responsibility for facilitating structural changes by working in the “middle ground” between private troubles and public issues. This book will help practitioners to “empower” client individuals, families or groups to address private troubles. In the process practitioners are persuaded to work in partnership with existing social movements to bring about the necessary changes for an improved social and therefore, personal environment. Social Work and Social Change in Canada devotes a chapter to each of the women’s, labour, and native movements, and explores the ways in which social workers can involve themselves as professionals with these vital means to change.

Canadian Social Policy for Social Workers

Decolonizing Social Work: Diversity and Social Work in Canada explores the question of how the social work profession can effectively address the growing diversity within Canada today. In this contributed volume, twenty-six academic experts offer insights for students of the helping professions, highlighting the concepts of cultural competence, expectant-phenomenological approaches to identity, intersectionality, and localization. The text is divided into three parts. The first part explores theoretical approaches, including anti-oppression and anti-racism. The second presents ideas for managing diversity within clinical and community settings. The third focuses on social work with diverse populations, including First Nations, Francophones, and immigrants and refugees, and delves into practice concerns related to spirituality and religion, sexual diversity, gender, disability, and aging. Discussion is supported by real-world case examples to help students connect theory to practice.---

Social Work in Canada

Social Welfare in Canada: What do you have to know, today, to be an effective group worker and what are the different group work approaches? With 310 articles and entries, this book provides a comprehensive overview of social work with groups from its initial development to its astounding range of diverse practice today with many populations in different places. The articles have been written by social workers trained in the group approach from the United States, Canada, England, Australia, Spain and Japan, and all involved are well known group workers, acknowledged as experts in the area. The book covers all aspects of social work with groups: including its history, values, major models, approaches and methods, education, research, journals, phases of development, working with specific populations and ages, plus many more. Each article includes references which can be a major resource for future exploration in the particular subject area. Both editors have many years of productive work in group work practice and other and are book members of The Association for the Advancement of Social Work with Groups. The Encyclopedia of Social Work with Groups will be of interest to students, practitioners, social work faculty, novice and experienced group workers.