ANOTATED WEB LINKS AND ACTIVITIES

The following resources and activities may be used to supplement *Social Work and Social Welfare: An Invitation (2nd ed.*) by Marla Berg-Weger.

CHAPTER 1: A GLIMPSE INTO THE WORLD OF SOCIAL WORK

Introductory Video Clips

[Social Workers - We can help](#) [A Day in the Life - Social Worker](#)

[Working for Social Justice](#)
Knowledgeable veteran social workers share their insights and experiences in candid discussions about their life's work.

[Why I am a Social Worker](#)
Members of the Arizona Chapter of National Association of Social Workers tell why they chose to be social workers.

Professional Social Work Associations around the World

Visit the web sites of at least three (3) professional social work organizations around the world, such as the British Association of Social Workers, the Australian Association of Social Workers, the Canadian Association of Social Workers, the Finnish Union of Professional Social Workers, the Singapore Association of Social Workers and/or the Korean and New Zealand social work websites to explore the global dimensions of social work.

- Describe the similarities and differences in the emphasis and orientation of social work of the organizations you visited.
- A list of over 86 [professional social work organizations](#) can be found at the International Federation of Social Workers Website:

[International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW)](#)
IFSW is a global organization striving for social justice, human rights and social development through the development of social work, best practices and international cooperation between social workers and their professional organizations.
**National Association of Social Workers (NASW)**
NASW is a professional organization of social workers in the United States with over 150,000 members. The NASW provides guidance, research, up to date information, advocacy, and other resources for its members and for social workers in general.

**Social Work Education Websites**
Social work education can be different throughout the world although share commonalities. In the United States, most social work programs are accredited by the Council on Social Work Education.

**Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)**
CSWE aims to promote and strengthen the quality of social work education through preparation of competent social work professionals by providing national leadership and a forum for collective action. CSWE pursues this mission through setting and maintaining policy and program standards, accrediting bachelor’s and master’s degree programs in social work, promoting research and faculty development, and advocating for social work education.

**International Association of Schools of Social Work (IASSW)**
IASSW is the worldwide association of schools of social work, social work educational programs, and social work educators. The IASSW promotes the development of social work education throughout the world, develops standards to enhance quality of social work education, encourages international exchange, provides forums for sharing social work research and scholarship, and promotes human rights and social development through policy and advocacy activities.

**Free On-line Resource for New Social Workers and Students**
**The New Social Worker Online** is the online version of the only national magazine in the U.S. devoted to social work students and recent graduates. Features of the site include articles from the print magazine, book reviews, and more. There is also a companion blog to the magazine.
CHAPTER 2: HISTORY OF SOCIAL WORK AND SOCIAL WELFARE

History of Social Welfare

Social Security Administration
The SSA offers an extensive collection of history-related materials, presenting both the institutional history of the Social Security Administration and the history of the Social Security program.

Historical Development of Social Welfare
The Social Security Administration offers this 7-page document that summarizes the development of social welfare in the United States.

The Social Welfare History Project
The technological sophistication of the Internet and the World Wide Web present a unique set of tools with which to identify, collect, integrate, and attractively display the rich and vibrant complexity represented by American social welfare institutions and programs and how they touch the lives of all Americans. This Web site is a work in progress. The entries consist of voluntary contributions from a distinguished group of social welfare historians. The site recognizes that there are many gaps and will continue to seek more content for every category; it has sufficient content to make it useful.

History of Social Work

The Social Work History Station
A CSWE Millennium Project created and hosted by Dan Huff, at the Boise State University School of Social Work.

Jane Addams Hull House Association
Jane Addams Hull House Association is the direct descendent of the settlement house founded by Jane Addams in 1889.

Visit the Hull-House Museum
CHAPTER 3 U.S. POVERTY AND IMPLICATIONS FOR SOCIAL WORK

Poverty in the United States

**Poverty Guidelines, Research, and Measurement**
This website from the US Department of Health & Human Services is a terrific bookmark to keep up to date with current poverty guidelines, research and measurement.

**Poverty USA** The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)
This website offers a plethora of educational materials about poverty. Particular sections of interest include:

**Video Clip**
This clip provides a brief overview of poverty and the struggle to maintain housing, food, utilities, transportation, childcare and health care.

**Poverty Quiz**
This short poverty quiz may not count toward your final grade, but you can find out how much you know about some basic facts of poverty in America.

**Poverty Facts**

**Government Benefits Portal**
This site sponsored by the federal government in partnership of Federal agencies to assist advocates and clients in locating government benefits for advocates and clients.

Global Poverty

**The ONE Campaign**
ONE is a grassroots campaign and advocacy organization backed by more than 2 million people who are committed to the fight against extreme poverty and preventable disease, particularly in Africa. Cofounded by Bono and other campaigners, ONE is nonpartisan and works closely with African policy makers and activists.
Make Poverty History “Click” Video:

Make Poverty History [2008 Video PSA](#)

A [music video](#) about the ONE Campaign

**Global Call to Action against Poverty**
The (GCAP) is a growing alliance that brings together trade unions, INGOs, the women’s and youth movements, community and faith groups and others to call for action from world leaders in the global North and South to meet their promises to end poverty and inequality. Links can direct you to local anti-poverty campaigns.
**United Nations Millennium Development Goals**
The eight Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) – which range from halving extreme poverty to halting the spread of HIV/AIDS and providing universal primary education, all by the target date of 2015 – form a blueprint agreed to by all the world’s countries and all the world’s leading development institutions.

A [7-minute video](#) outlining the United Nations' Millennium Development Goal (MDG) campaign and steps that anyone can use to achieve these important goals. HIGHLY RECOMMENDED!
CHAPTER 4: THE SOCIAL WORK ENVIRONMENT

The Changing Demographic Profile of the United States

2006 Report for Congress
Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress
Detailed 31-page report highlights some of the demographic changes that have already occurred since 1950 and illustrates how these and future trends will reshape the nation in the decades to come (through 2050).

U.S. Census Bureau
View a Fact Sheet for a race, ethnic, or ancestry group.

Religious Demographic Profile of the United States
This report from the Pew Forum on Religion & Public Life summarizes data from three non-governmental sources to compile this demographic summary.

Economic Issues

Social Workers Speak on the Economy

Global Issues

Social, Political, Economic and Environmental Issues That Affect Us All
This site presents numerous global issues, aiming to show how they are inter-related.

Globalization101: A Student’s Guide to Globalization
The Levin Institute of the State University of New York
This site provides students with information and interdisciplinary learning opportunities on this complex phenomenon.

Global Policy Forum
An independent policy watchdog that monitors the work of the United Nations and scrutinizes global policymaking. GPF gathers information and circulates it through this comprehensive and heavily-visited website.

Globalization of the Economy  Globalization of Politics

Hidden Face of Globalization (video clip)
National Labor Committee presents report on garment workers in Bangladesh.
CHAPTER 5: DIVERSITY IN SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE

**Diversity and Equity**

Discrimination and prejudice directed against any group are damaging to the social, emotional, and economic well-being of the affected group and of society as a whole. NASW has a strong affirmative action program that applies to national and chapter leadership and staff. It supports three national committees on equity issues: the National Committee on Women's Issues, National Committee on Racial and Ethnic Diversity and the National Committee on Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Issues. The following information topics reflect some of NASW's material and work on diversity and equity issues: Immigration, Ethnicity and Race, Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender, Women

**Cultural Competence**

**National Center for Cultural Competence**

The mission of the NCCC is to increase the capacity of health care and mental health care programs to design, implement, and evaluate culturally and linguistically competent service delivery systems to address growing diversity, persistent disparities, and to promote health and mental health equity.

**NASW Standards for Cultural Competence in Social Work Practice**

These standards address several key areas of social work practice, including ethics and values, self-awareness, cross-cultural knowledge, cross-cultural skills, service delivery, empowerment and advocacy, workforce diversity, professional education, language diversity, and cross-cultural leadership.

**Multiculturalism**

**Racism**

**Institutional Racism and the Social Work Profession: A Call to Action**

This document from the National Association of Social Workers addresses the social issue of institutional (also known as structural) racism. This document provides definitions of institutional/structural racism, clarifies how it is relevant to the social work profession, and details how it is manifested in the social systems within which social workers engage.

**The People’s Institute for Survival and Beyond**

PISAB is a national and international collective of anti-racist, multicultural community organizers and educators dedicated to building an effective movement for social transformation.

**Project Implicit**

Project Implicit blends basic research and educational outreach in a virtual laboratory at which visitors can examine their own hidden biases. Project Implicit is the product of research by three scientists whose work produced a new approach to understanding of attitudes, biases, and stereotypes. (race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, disability, weight, religion, age)
Stereotyping

Stereotypes - Blacks, Mexicans, Asians, Gays, Blondes Video Clip

Say No to Ageism Video Clip

The Disabled Comedy Show
This 5 minute clip features three stand-up comedians who may happen to be DISABLED, but who are unquestionably ABLE to make people laugh. They not only ignite hundreds of laughs, but advance a social movement of dialogue and consciousness - using entertainment and comedy as a means to open our eyes and hearts to how we perceive and interact with people with disabilities, increasing public awareness and helping to end disability discrimination.

Homophobia Questionnaire
Weigh your attitudes and beliefs about homosexuals on the “Homophobia Scale” and see how you rank.

The Gay Gene Debate

Understanding Prejudice
A web site for students, teachers, and others interested in the causes and consequences of prejudice.

Heterosexism

Sexism

Stigmatization
Links that relate to stigmatization, including general sites on stigma research as well as specific sources of stigma such as disabilities, obesity, mental illness, and dwarfism.

Transgenderism
CHAPTER 6: VALUES AND ETHICS IN SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE

Ethical Documents

National Association of Social Workers - Code of Ethics

International Federation of Social Workers & International Association of Schools of Social Work
Ethics in Social Work, Statement of Principles

Other National Codes of Ethics
National Codes of Ethics of Social Work adopted by IFSW Member organizations. The Codes of Ethics are in the national languages of the different countries.

Ethical Dilemmas and Problem Solving


Essential Steps for Ethical Problem Solving
CHAPTER 7: SOCIAL WORK PERSPECTIVES AND METHODS

Generalist Social Work Practice

**Educational Policy & Accreditation Standards - EPAS (2008)**
The Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) uses the Educational Policy and Accreditation Standards (EPAS) to accredit baccalaureate- and master’s-level social work programs. The BSW curriculum prepares its graduates for generalist practice through mastery of the core competencies. The MSW curriculum prepares its graduates for advanced practice through mastery of the core competencies. Competencies are measurable practice behaviors that are comprised of knowledge, values, and skills.

**Global Social Work Standards**
Standards of social work education are of particular importance to the International Federation of Social Workers and the International Association of Schools of Social Work. In 2002 they set out to establish qualifying standards for social work education that would introduce consistency and unity in social work teaching but nevertheless take due account of local, cultural and historical perspectives. In 2004 Global Standards for the Education and Training of the Social Work Profession was endorsed by both organizations and, for the first time, establishes international benchmarks for social work education and training.

Theory in Generalist Practice

The knowledge and skills of the competent generalist are based on theoretical frameworks that are known to be effective for the client system.

- **Ecological Systems Theory**
- **Strengths Based Perspective**
- **How to Construct an Ecomap**
- **Solution-Focused Model** (Video Clip)
CHAPTER 8: FIELDS OF SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE

On Any Given Day, Social Workers Help (Video)
Social workers know that on any given day they are working with clients, families and communities. This 5-minute video follows three social workers through their work with clients and communities to show, rather than tell, the breadth and depth of social work practice.

One Profession, Countless Possibilities
See how 50 social workers are making a difference everyday

Fields of Practice Video Clips

Mental health and substance abuse social work
For Your Health: School Social Worker School Social Work: What it’s Really Like
Military Social Work
This is Social Work in Aging
Medical and Public Health Social Workers Medical Social Work
Oncology Social Worker

Organizational Links

Forensic Social Work
National Organization of Forensic Social Work

National Center for Gerontological Social Work Education
The CSWE Gero-Ed Center prepares social work faculty and students to meet the demographic realities of our aging society. This Web site is the online resource for social work faculty, students, and practitioners who are committed to enhancing their gerontological competence.

Rural Social Work Caucus is an organization focused on issues related to rural social work practice.

School Social Work Association of America, an organization of social workers working in public and private schools.

Latino Social Workers Organization, a group for social workers to share experiences regarding education, employment, and the Latino community.
National Association of Black Social Workers, an organization for the promotion, survival, and liberation of communities of African ancestry.

North American Puerto Rican and Hispanic Social Workers, a group for social workers to network on issues related to the Puerto Rican, Hispanic, and Latino communities.

Social Work with Immigrants and Refugees Podcast Interview
CHAPTER 9: SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE WITH INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES

Adolescent Health

*Suicide Prevention*  *Club Drugs*

*The Social Worker as Part of an Interdisciplinary Team*

*Dismantling Stereotypes about Adolescents*  *Adolescent Girls and Body Image*

Aging

*Assisted Living and Social Work Practice*  *Case Management with Older Adults*

*Biopsychosocial Challenges*  *Transitions of Care*

Children, Family and Youth

*NASW Practice Update*  *Just the Facts about Sexual Orientation and Youth*

*Helping Prospective Adoptive Parents to Navigate the Foster Care System*

*Child Welfare Social Workers Describe their Experiences*

*Promising Practices in Child Welfare*  *How to Talk To Children About War*

*What Social Workers Should Know about Gender-Based Violence and the Health of Adolescent Girls*

Clinical Social Work

*NASW Standards for Clinical Social Work*

*NASW Standards for Clients with Substance Abuse Disorders*
CHAPTER 10: SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE WITH GROUPS

Social Work with Groups Video Clip
Definitions of different types of social work groups

The Association for the Advancement of Social Work with Groups
AASWG is the premier international association for social workers and allied helping professionals engaged in group work. The purpose of this non-profit, member-driven organization is to promote excellence in group work practice, education, field instruction, research and publication.

Social Action Groups

Unity, Community, & Organizing (clip)

Therapeutic Groups

This group therapy video series portrays a re-enactment of segments of group sessions over the course of a mixed adult outpatient psychotherapy group.

Excerpt from an Israeli TV show "Kzarim": some troubled people meet for group therapy. In Hebrew with English subtitles. Note: This is a non-educational clip for the sole the purpose of comic relief.

Information about Group Psychotherapy from the American Group Psychotherapy Association

Mutual Aid Groups

Bereavement Support Groups (clip)

Support Group Meeting of Families of the Incarcerated (clip)

Self Help Group Study Report (clip)
CHAPTER 11: SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE WITH ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMUNITIES AND COMMUNITY PRACTICE

Association for Community Organization and Social Administration
ACOAA is a membership organization for community organizers, activists, nonprofit administrators, community builders, policy practitioners, students and educators.

Administration and Management

The Leadership Learning Community includes members who fund, research, run, and provide services to leadership development programs.

National Network for Social Work Managers
NNSWM is dedicated to equipping people-centered leaders.

The Free Management Library is a complete, highly integrated library of 72 popular categories of resources for nonprofit AND for-profit businesses. Just some of these are group skills, ethics, planning, supervision, checklists to evaluate boards, employee performance, project management, financial management, and leadership development.

The Innovation Center promotes effective tools and strategies for engaging youth and adults as partners in creating positive community change in diverse contexts. The site contains several excellent reports on youth development and decision-making, youth as partners in program evaluation, and organizational development.

Advocacy

Tracking Legislation on the Web
Find out about new legislation, changing legislation and proposed legislation. Track their progress, and the many alterations made by legislators on both sides of the aisle.

The Casey Foundation web page provides excellent resources for advocates.

NPAction is a web site with the goals of making nonprofits aware that they can advocate, to educate nonprofits on the range of advocacy activities that are permissible, and to help gain competence and greater confidence in initiating and participating strategically in policy participation.

Health Care Reform Efforts

Students Learn About Advocacy (clip)
Community Organizing

Knowing in Community 10 Critical Success Factors in Building Communities of Practice

Community Building & Community Organizing
Article by Sandy O'Donnell and Ellen Schumer

The Youth Movements How-To Hub
Alliance of Youth Movements positively empowers leaders to affect nonviolent change in the world by creating and promoting use of technological tools to advance freedom, human rights, democracy, and development around the world. (How to Organize a Smart Mob, How to Use Twitter to Effect Social Change, and more...)

Neighborhoods Online National is an online resource center for America's neighborhood builders—people who work through grassroots organizations, as volunteers, and in government to build strong neighborhoods and communities throughout the country. Sections include links to email lists, building community, neighborhood resources, and advocates and Congress.

The National Center for Economic and Security Alternatives conducts ongoing research into a broad range of community-based institutions, models and innovations that enhance the quality of life today while pointing toward larger possibilities for strengthening democracy, producing equality and sustaining community in the future.

NASW Practice Updates

HIV/AIDS & Homelessness  Impact of Poverty on Adolescent Health

Same Sex Marriage Overview in the U.S.

Policy Practice

The Center for the Study of Social Policy strives to help states and localities implement creative and effective strategies that strengthen disadvantaged communities and families and ensure that children grow up healthy, safe, successful in school, and ready for productive adulthood.

The National Center of Policy Analysis (NCPA) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan public policy research organization. The NCPA's goal is to develop and promote private alternatives to government regulation and control, solving problems by relying on the strength of the competitive, entrepreneurial private sector. Topics include reforms in health care, taxes, Social Security, welfare, criminal justice, education and environmental regulation.

Influencing State Policy (ISP) assists social work faculty and students in learning to effectively influence the formation, implementation, and evaluation of state-level policy and legislation. Link to state policy resources, become a member, and learn about the annual ISP contest which challenges students and faculty to influence state policy.
The **Institute for Women’s Policy Research** (IWPR) is a public policy research organization dedicated to public policy issues of critical importance to women and their families. IWPR focuses on poverty and welfare, employment and earnings, work and family issues, the economic and social aspects of health care and domestic violence, and women’s civic and political participation.

The **Urban Institute** is a nonprofit nonpartisan policy research and educational organization established to examine the social, economic, and governance problems facing the nations. Find excellent policy papers on housing, immigration, Social Security, welfare reform, community re-entry programs for prisoners, and many others.

The **Alliance for Children and Families** is an international membership association representing more than 350 private, nonprofit child- and family-serving organizations. Its mission includes advocacy for children, families, and communities. Find up-to-date policy information, including legislative tracking, fact sheets and issue briefs, and position statements, and policy updates.
CHAPTER 12: THE SOCIAL WORK PROFESSION

Professional Outlook

Social Work Profession Fact Sheet Careers in Social Work

Occupational Outlook for Social Workers
U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Current Issues

Social Workers and Disaster Relief

International Social Work Fact Sheet

Can We Live Up to the Social Work Legacy? NASW Video Clip