

Social Work Education: The International Journal Call for Papers:

Environmental Justice, Green Social Work or Eco Justice: Preparing for Social Work's Growing Involvement

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This special issue seeks to capture the efforts of social workers who are embedded in the realities of environmental degradation and its impact on the well-being of individuals, families, and communities across the globe. Manuscripts that provide documentation of the issue, evidence of an attempted intervention at any system level and the outcome (if it worked or not) are welcomed. Conceptual manuscripts of how to integrate and frame environmental concerns and consequences for vulnerable populations, particularly to students in educational settings, are also invited. Finally, manuscripts with evidence of successful curriculum adaptations to include environmental concerns are welcomed. All manuscripts must provide implications to the education of social workers and the profession, as well aid the international readership of this journal and their understanding of this common problem.

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We are looking for manuscripts of up to 4,000 words (no more than 5,000 words, including references) relating to the themes identified above.

Select examples of potential topics might include:

- How does the profession define its mission in relation to environmental degradation?
- An overview of the major environmental issues in distinct international regions and the implications and possible solutions to aid vulnerable populations.
- A critique of current curriculum models used to prepare students for this global issue.
- A conceptual paper synthesizing or advancing the theoretical foundations of green social work.
- An analysis of specific governmental or corporate policies that are increasing environmental degradation.
- Examples of policy practice (including unsuccessful efforts) or comparative policy analysis.
- Showcasing efforts to educate and mobilize students or constituents to address environmental justice issues.
- An evaluation of a course or concentration with a focus on environmental justice for social workers.
- Proposals for building unity of vision and purpose among social workers across national boundaries in relation to these issues.
- Social work's role in advancing the United Nation's Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) with a special emphasis on environmental sustainability (Goal Number Seven).

General guidelines for submission:

Each manuscript should be an original document that has not been published elsewhere, and is not under review for publication elsewhere. Length should be approximately 20 pages, format APA style (6th edition), submitted as a Word file. The deadline for submission is January 15, 2015. All submissions are online – instructions are at http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/cswe. For more information about this special issue, please email the Guest Editors as shown above.