Selected Resources for International Curriculum

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Books for Faculty Development and Student Background (a few favorites)


A comprehensive text covering history and definition of international social work, international professional and social welfare organizations, policy, global interdependence, global policy, social work around the world today, and values.


This book introduces a number of global social issues, including the Global AIDS Crisis, Ethnic Conflict, Aging in Global Perspective, Social Work with Refugees, and the Global Economy. Chapters are written by authors from diverse countries.


This is an excellent book, providing background on colonialism, independence movements, and development. Good for faculty development, and to assign to students to provide them with the essential background for understanding material on development.


Provides both historical material on social work, and a thought-provoking update on current issues, on the differences between social work and social pedagogy; and more.


This comprehensive text explains key economic concepts for social workers. After an overview of economic history, the author addresses monetary policy, the Bretton Woods institutions, structural adjustment, and the global trade policy. The last several chapters present the alternative paradigm of sustainable development and discuss movements for economic justice. Useful appendices enrich the book.
Human Rights


General Information: Periodically Updated

Culturgrams.

These are 4-page briefings on customs, history, and lifestyles. The most recent set contains culturgrams for more than 100 countries. They can be purchased from: Brigham Young University, David M. Kennedy Center for International Studies, Provo, Utah. An Assignment I have always wanted to try is to ask social work students to write one on the U.S. for international visitors. A great challenge to summarize our diverse customs in 4 pages (BYU has done that).

UNICEF. *The State of the World’s Children.*

Annual. Published by Oxford University Press for UNICEF. Articles on a theme plus country statistics.

UNDP. *Human Development Report.*

Annual. Published by Oxford University Press for UNDP (United Nations Development Program). This is a major resource for world statistics, information on poverty and development.

Manuals, Resource Guides, Bibliographies


Contains suggestions for curriculum on poverty; violence against women and children; ethnic violence; trauma; and drug abuse.


**On Social Work in Other Countries:**


Covers current social work in 10 countries, authored by social workers from the countries discussed.


**Essential Social Work Materials:**


Contains 11 papers adopted by IFSW as official statements of international social work policy. Visit the IFSW website for more information: [www.ifsw.org](http://www.ifsw.org)


See policy papers on Immigration & Refugees; International Human Rights; and Cultural and Linguistic Diversity.

**International Journals**

*Asia Pacific Journal of Social Work*. National University of Singapore in collaboration with the Asia Pacific Association of Schools of Social Work

*Australian Social Work*

*British Journal of Social Work*


*Indian Journal of Social Work*


*Social Development Issues*. The journal of the Inter-University Consortium for International Social Development.

*Social Work/Maatskaplike Werk*. South Africa.

*Social Worker/Travailleur Social*. Canadian Association of Social Workers.

**United Nations Resources:**

There are many excellent U.N. resources. A listing of important resources for social work educators has been compiled by Mukunda Rao and is included as an appendix in *Global Perspectives in Social Work Education*. The list includes important social welfare conference reports, and the U.N. Conventions on human rights.

Extensive human rights information including full text of all treaties can be found at:
www.unhchr.ch/