

Assignment B - Hints

Introduction

Introduce your topic and tell the audience what the paper will cover. This includes identifying the community and issue. Be sure that you clearly demonstrate the importance of the topic and its connection to generalist social work practice. This should consist of 1-2 paragraphs.

Application of the Community Partnership Model

Agenda Building (15pts)

Clearly outline and explain how you would form a representative core group of community members to facilitate the process of getting your issue on the community agenda. This includes identifying potential members and justifying your choices. Be sure that your discussion is consistent with the model, involves practice with multiple systems (at least organizations and communities), and makes a connection to social work values and ethics and generalist social work practice (engagement, assessment, and implementation).

- Identify the decision-making body you are going to approach and justify your choice (1 paragraph)
- Identify the potential members of your group and justify your choices (1 paragraph)
- Discuss how you will recruit them and why (1 paragraph)
- Discuss what will happen at first meeting and the steps that will occur up to the presentation (1 paragraph)
- Be sure to demonstrate practice with multiple systems. Also, be sure to make the connection to social work values, ethics, and generalist social work practice (1-2 paragraphs). This item constitutes 5 of the 15 points for this section.

Structure (15pts)

Clearly outline and explain how you would develop a structure that allows for citizen and professional involvement in the community building process. You can either explain this in a narrative format or develop a constitution and by-laws. If you choose to develop a constitution and by-laws, you must include a narrative that explains and justifies the chosen structure. Be sure that your discussion is consistent with the model, involves practice with multiple systems (at least organizations and communities), and makes a connection to social work values and ethics and generalist social work practice (engagement, planning, and implementation).

- You need to identify your proposed structure and explain why you think it is the best structure given the context of the issue (1 paragraph)
- As noted above, you need to either provide an outline of a constitution and by-laws or describe it in a narrative format. See the examples on Blackboard for guidance. The chapter in Brueggemann on program development will also help with this.
- Be sure to make the connection to social work values, ethics, and generalist social work practice (1-2 paragraphs). This item constitutes 5 of the 15 points for this section.

Analysis (15pts)

Clearly outline and explain how you would go about analyzing the issue and formulating alternative solutions via *community action research*. You need to include a brief overview of the community, issue/problem and target population. You need to formulate and include at least three viable alternatives based on your macro level

analysis. Each of these alternatives is to include interventions with at least two systems (organizations and communities) and should be clearly justified. Be sure that your discussion is consistent with the model, involves practice with multiple systems (at least organizations and communities), and makes a connection to social work values and ethics and generalist social work practice (assessment and planning).

- Describe the community (1 paragraph)
- Describe the target population (1 paragraph)
- Describe the health and human services system (1 paragraph)
- Describe the process you will use to ensure community involvement in the analysis process (CAR/PAR). This should take 1-2 paragraphs.
- Describe the three alternatives and justify your choices. Each alternative should be given a paragraph (3 paragraphs total). See the above criteria for the solutions.
- **You need to cite at least one source for each of your alternative solutions**
- Be sure to make the connection to social work values, ethics, and generalist social work practice (1-2 paragraphs). This item constitutes 5 of the 15 points for this section.

Ownership (15pts)

Remember that according to Poole (2002), community ownership occurs when the group has the ability to define the issue, identify the causes, and hold local institutions accountable for solving the issue. Clearly outline and explain how you would go about establishing community ownership of both the issue/problem and the solution. Also, you need to talk about how you will know that you have established ownership. Be sure that your discussion is consistent with the model, involves practice with multiple systems (at least organizations and communities), and makes a connection to social work values and ethics and generalist social work practice (implementation and evaluation). Be sure to make the connection between evaluation and accountability.

- You need to discuss how the activities in each of the other 5 steps help to establish and/or maintain ownership.
- Be sure to make the connection to social work values, ethics, and generalist social work practice (1-2 paragraphs). This item constitutes 5 of the 15 points for this section.

Technology (15pts)

Technology involves the identification, transference, and design of sound technology in order to implement the solution identified by the group. Choose the best of the three alternatives identified under the analysis section (provide a justification for your choice) and clearly outline and explain how you would design it. In other words, what will your intervention look like? You may choose a combination of two or three of the interventions. Be sure that your discussion is consistent with the model, involves practice with multiple systems (at least organizations and communities), and makes a connection to social work values and ethics and generalist social work practice (planning, implementation, and evaluation).

- This section should focus on describing the chosen solution(s). You need to justify each choice. In other words, why is this the best way to intervene?
- You need to support your choices with evidence from the literature.
- Your description should include the target population (who will receive services?), eligibility criteria, service region, services, staffing, facilities, funding, etc. Brueggemann's chapter on program development will help you with this.
- **You need to cite at least one source that supports your proposed intervention**
- Be sure to make the connection to social work values, ethics, and generalist social work practice (1-2

paragraphs). This item constitutes 5 of the 15 points for this section.

Stewardship (15pts)

Stewardship requires the partners to implement the program or intervention and evaluate the outcomes while demonstrating accountability, commitment, and constancy (Poole, 2002). Clearly outline and explain how you will implement and evaluate the intervention. You should include a discussion of how you will ensure accountability, commitment, and constancy. Also, assume that at this stage it would be appropriate for you to end your involvement in the process- explain how you would go about termination. Be sure that your discussion is consistent with the model, involves practice with multiple systems (at least organizations and communities), and makes a connection to social work values and ethics and generalist social work practice (implementation, evaluation, termination, and follow-up).

- This section should focus on implementation and sustainability
- You need to discuss how the program will be evaluated and how that information will be used to improve service delivery (see Timberlake et al's chapter on evaluation). This links to accountability. (1 paragraph)
- You need to discuss how the program will sustain itself financially. This includes talking about how it will diversify its funding base in order to increase stability. See the lecture notes on organizational assessment and the articles from the "Eggs" case study for more information about this issue. (1 paragraph)
- You need to discuss leadership. Specifically, what measures will be taken to ensure that leadership maintains a focus on the group's best interest. This should also include talking about how the group will ensure leadership development. (1 paragraph)
- You also need to discuss the mechanisms that will be put in place to ensure long term success/stability of the intervention. This can be dealt with in a separate paragraph or blended with the other paragraphs.
- You need to discuss the process of termination (1 paragraph)
- Be sure to make the connection to social work values, ethics, and generalist social work practice (1-2 paragraphs). This item constitutes 5 of the 15 points for this section.

Conclusion

Be sure to summarize the main points of your proposal. This is your chance to reiterate the important points of your proposal and to make sure the audience understands their importance! The paragraph should move from specific to broad statements/ideas. (1-2 paragraphs)

References

Be sure to include a reference for each source cited in the body of the paper.

The final paper must include a statement that identifies each group member and his/her specific responsibilities for developing the paper. See the assignment description in the syllabus for additional details.