Training Social Work Leaders and Managers for Non-Profit Organizations in the United States

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The Role of Social Work Faculty

- Training Social Work students
- Ensure students have practical/clinical experiences in Social Work
- Conduct research relevant to SW
- Lead study aboard groups
- Provide community services and engagement

Important Example in Leadership Training

- Leadership development is a core concern of the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)
- It includes: managing environmental relationships, such as effective agency or program representation and positioning, networking, coalition building, negotiating hostile environments, and dealing with multiple customer and stakeholder groups"

Integrating Leadership Training to Social Work Programs

- Leadership for the social work profession is different from other professions and disciplines. The differences were combined into five common themes:
- (1) commitment to the NASW Code of Ethics;
- (2) a systemic perspective;
- (3) a participatory leadership style;
- (4) altruism; and
- (5) concern about the public image of the profession

Training SW Leaders in Multidisciplinary team environment

- More and more social workers are required to work in a multidisciplinary team setting
- Being able to understand other disciplines is important
- Social work leaders can position themselves in leadership in multidisciplinary team using systems theory, person in environment theory etc
- Dual degree training
- Being a leader is different than being a manager