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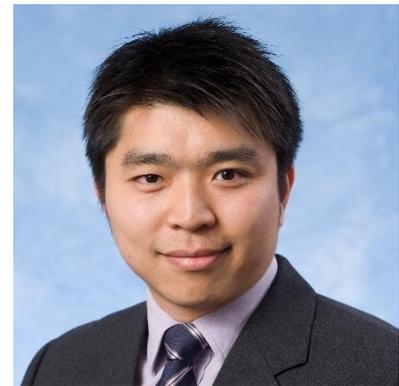
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SS Research Salon

What Affect Social Workers' Judgment?: Personal Experience, Professional Training and Practice Environment

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Date : 14 February 2019 (Thursday)
Time : 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm
Venue : Room Y7302, SS Multi-function Room
Yeung Kin Man Academic Building, City University of Hong Kong
Moderator : Dr. Yeung Yuen Lan Dannii (Associate Professor)
Language : English

Abstract

The issue of professional accountability in social work has become an important concern. Against this backdrop, it should be imperative to examine the basis of the professional judgment social workers make. A new framework is proposed to study the complex mechanisms involved in social work practice which takes into account three P's: personal experience, professional training and practice environment. Using a qualitative case study analysis, the three 'P's' framework is used to examine the experiences of twenty Chinese social workers based in Hong Kong. The cases selected show that social work practice is shaped by the three P's, rather than a single P. The complex interplays among two or three P's have been shown in the three cases. In line with the notion of reflective practice, the analysis enhances the understanding of the forces behind social work practice and highlights the interplays among three P's.

Biosketch

Ricky Kwan, PhD, is currently Assistant Professor in the Department of Social and Behavioural Sciences at City University of Hong Kong. He served as Assistant Director of The Hong Kong Down Syndrome Association. He is a registered social worker with a professional background in mental health and counselling. His research interest lies in the area of social workers' use of self, and mental health.

After the Salon, light lunch with drink will be provided for SS faculty members and research students. Interested participants must make reservation via email (violette.wong@cityu.edu.hk) before 11 February 2019.

All Are Welcome