

## Guidelines for Authors of Book Reviews for SWC

NACSW's quarterly, peer-reviewed journal, *Social Work and Christianity (SWC)*, welcomes book review manuscripts for the Reviews section of the journal. Submit book review manuscripts electronically to the Book Review Editor, James Vanderwoerd, at [jwoerd@redeemer.ca](mailto:jwoerd@redeemer.ca).

Book review authors should follow these guidelines:

- Reviewed books should be relevant to *SWC*'s readership and therefore should include content pertinent to Christians in social work.
- Ordinarily books should be fairly recent (published within 2 years); if later, reviewers should provide some justification for why an older book has current relevance.
- Reviews should be about 600-800 words in length.
- Reviews should include an overview of the book's main points, especially those pertaining to Christians in social work.
- In addition to a descriptive summary of the book's content, reviews should provide some assessment, critique, and analysis of the book's strengths and weaknesses, and its contribution to the field of social work practice, especially to specific audiences such as subfields of social work practice, students, academics, administrators, and church leaders.
- Reviews should adhere to general guidelines for formatting and writing described in the general Instructions for Authors.
- All submitted book review manuscripts, whether invited or not, are subject to editorial review and acceptance by the book review editor, in conjunction with the editor-in-chief, who will make final decisions regarding acceptance for publication.
- Reviews submitted for a special topic issue should be clearly marked as such.

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