

## **SOCIAL WORK EXAM**

Total time allowed for the exam: 4 hours. The exam consists of 170 multiple-choice items, 150 that count and 20 that are pretest items that do not count. These 20 questions will be scattered throughout the exam. Many times questions will ask for the BEST answer. This means that there is more than one correct response, but one is better than all the rest. In our Secrets to Passing Section, we take you through step-by-step until you can pick out Keywords and Order Processing of BEST answer multiple-choice questions. Other questions will ask for the LEAST significant course of action when working with a client. Lower level cognitive items (recall) are more frequent on the Bachelors and Masters examination and higher level cognitive functioning (analysis, synthesis, and evaluation will be found on the Advanced Generalist and Clinical).

### **HOW THE SOCIAL WORK EXAM IS CONSTRUCTED**

Generally, this is how the social work exams are constructed. The exams are designed to give the lower level social work exams (Bachelors Masters) more concrete information that does not involve as much analysis synthesis or evaluation - though you might get some of these types of questions when taking the Advanced Generalists or Clinical, the majority will be lower level (more concrete) questions.

The higher level social work exams (advanced and clinical) will just have MORE of the higher level questions that require analysis, synthesis and evaluation. This exam will however, also will contain lower level questions, just not as many.

For the most part, it is THE MIX and percentage of questions, not the questions themselves that determines if you have a lower or higher level exam.

So, if you are taking the Bachelors exam, you will have some of the same questions that the clinical exams ask BUT JUST NOT AS MANY and in a different percentage of questions from different content areas.

If you are taking the Clinical exam, you will have some of the same questions that the Bachelors exam asks BUT JUST NOT AS MANY. Again, there will be a different percentage of questions from different content areas.

The Exam question percentage breakdown is as follows:

## **EXAM BREAKDOWN**

### **Bachelors Exam**

- 27% - 01. Human Development, Diversity and Behavior in the Environment
- 28% - 02. Assessment
- 26% - 03. Direct and Indirect Practice
- 19% - 04. Professional Relationships, Values, and Ethics

### **Masters Exam**

- 28% - 01. Human Development, Diversity, and Behavior in the Environment
- 24% - 02. Assessment and Intervention Planning
- 21% - 03. Direct and Indirect Practice
- 27% - 04. Professional Relationships, Values, and Ethics

### **Advanced Generalist Exam**

- 10% - 01. Human Development and Behavior
- 05% - 02. Issues of Diversity
- 24% - 03. Assessment, Diagnosis, and Intervention Planning
- 16% - 04. Direct and Indirect Practice
- 07% - 05. Communication
- 05% - 06. Relationship Issues
- 12% - 07. Professional Values and Ethics
- 03% - 08. Supervision and Professional Development
- 04% - 09. Practice Evaluation and the Utilization of Research
- 11% - 10. Service Delivery
- 03% - 11. Administration

### **Clinical Exam**

- 31% - 01. Human Development in the Life Cycle
- 26% - 02. Assessment, Diagnosis, and Treatment Planning
- 25% - 03. Psychotherapy, Clinical Interventions, and Case Management
- 18% - 04. Professional Ethics and Values

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DOMAIN 1 DEVELOPMENT

DOMAIN 2 DIVERSITY

DOMAIN 3 DIAGNOSIS

DOMAIN 4 PRACTICE

DOMAIN 5 FACILITATION

DOMAIN 6 ETHICS

DOMAIN 7 ADMINISTRATION

DOMAIN 8 RESEARCH

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\* **Case Studies** - Read a detailed study of a typical Social Work situation and answer questions sharpening your analysis and diagnostic skills to answer Best choice, Do first, Most important type questions.

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\* **Simulations** - Analysis, Synthesis, and Evaluation. Skills you were taught in college and learned to apply in your work with clients. Learn to determine factors to result in helping or hindering a client in 100's of simulation social work situations.

\* **DSM-IV-TR** - Knowing the diagnostic criteria is a must! This area is covered using case study, terms and matching.

- \* **Psychometric Tools** - What assessment should you use? Learn when and how you would require the use of the BDI-2, ACL, CAT, MMPI-2, HTP and others.
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- \* **Learning Module** - This is a special section to get your mind in gear for the exam. It consists of a vignette and what considerations you would choose and options you would avoid.
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## **GET IT RIGHT THE FIRST TIME**

OK, let's get real here. You only have a limited time left before the exam and besides the kids, the job, and having a life you have to squeeze in some studying if you're going to pass this exam. For some passing the exam makes the difference between a promotion (I KNOW you've have your eye on that new VW Beetle) and for others it means hitting the pavement and dusting off the old resume! (UGH!!!)

Either way, you want to do your best and get it right the first time!!! You've got to pass the exam! Your future depends upon it. Speaking of time, just HOW ARE YOU going to spend that precious little bit you have at the end of the day to Ace this thing?

Any which way, YOU CAN DO IT!!! Get off the couch, give Seinfeld (it's a rerun anyway) a rest, and get put in an hour on this thing - figure what areas are going to maximize points for you and go for it!!

Get it right the first time,

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