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How can psychologists incorporate recent insights about power, values and inequality in their work? What is the role of social justice in the practice of psychology? In this highly readable book Prilleltensky and Nelson tackle these questions and propose workable solutions. This is the first book to translate into action the principles of critical psychology. Using a value-based framework the authors propose guidelines for training and critical practice in clinical, counselling, educational, health, community, and work settings.

The authors base their approach on a combination of values for the promotion of personal, interpersonal, and collective well-being. They propose a set of values consisting of self determination, caring and compassion, health, respect for diversity, participation, community support and social justice. Because of its wide coverage, the book should be of interest to students and practitioners in psychology, mental health, and to users of psychological services in most fields of practice.

Doing Psychology Critically:

§ translates critical psychology theory into practice

§ applies to most fields of applied psychology

§ is written in an accessible style

§ includes tables and diagrams that illustrate recommendations for practice

§ follows a coherent framework

§ is a useful resource for training programmes in health, clinical, counselling, educational, community, and organisational psychology

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