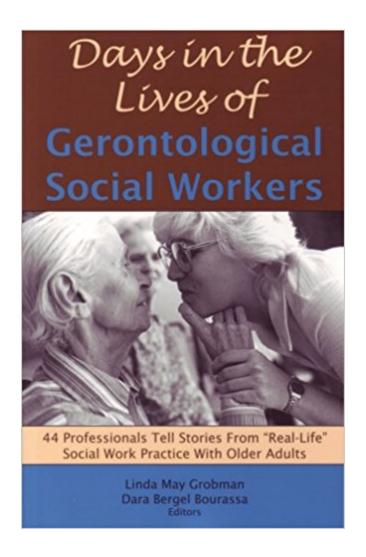


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# Days In The Lives Of Gerontological Social Workers: 44 Professionals Tell Stories From "Real-Life" Social Work Practice With Older Adults





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I like this book for my ASU social work class. Good stories.

I really like this whole series and this book just happened to go into more detail about one of the types of Social Work I am most interested in. As a current SW student I found it to be really helpful.

Great book. Perfect for anyone interested in geriatric social work.

This is a professional, pertinent and practical book.

I am a geriatric social worker and enjoy reading about the different places where we work!!! GREAT BOOK!

Much of the information in this book is useful. The lists at the back of the book are informative. The material is presented in a clear and interesting manner.

Bought this book for my niece who is getting her MSW in geriatrics. She has reported that she loves this book. Great purchase. She received the book in the time indicated.

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