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“this book will enable the reader to have insights into the deep background of Wolfensberger’s thinking that have never appeared before in the available normalization/Social Role Valorization literature.”  
*(Michael Kendrick, PhD, from his foreword)*

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## About Social Role Valorization (SRV)

Social Role Valorization (SRV), a human service theory based on the *principle of normalization*, proposes that positively valued social roles are needed for people to attain what Wolfensberger has described as the *good things of life* (well-being). This is of particular importance for individuals with impairments or otherwise at risk of being socially devalued by others, and therefore of great importance for human services to them.

## About the book

The first two chapters explain *SRV*, and give depth and background to *SRV* as an empirical theory that is applicable to human services of all kinds, to all sorts of people. The remaining chapters are all revised and expanded versions of presentations that Dr. Wolfensberger had given at previous international *SRV* conferences. The topics treated in the chapters move from the general (chapters 2, 3, and 4) to the more specific (chapters 5, 6, and 7).

The contents of the book are especially useful for people who do, or want to, teach *SRV*; for *SRV* researchers; and for those interested in implementing *SRV* in a systematic way, especially in service fields where *SRV* is new, not yet known, and not widely—if at all—embraced.



### About Wolf Wolfensberger (1934-2011)

World renowned human service reformer, Professor Wolfensberger (Syracuse University) was involved in the development and dissemination of the *principle of normalization* and the originator of the program evaluation tools *PASS 3* and *PASSING*, and of a number of service approaches that include *SRV* and *Citizen Advocacy*.

## This book includes the following chapters

FOREWORD, by Michael Kendrick

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CHAPTER 4 THE RELATIONSHIP OF SOCIAL ROLE VALORIZATION THEORY TO WORLDVIEWS AND VALUES

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CONCLUSION TO THE BOOK

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