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Exploring Potential Impact of Artificial Intelligence on Social Work Practice

Due: Oct 11 @ 11:59 PM: Worth: 15 Points

Purpose: This assignment is designed to help students identify, understand, and critically analyze the potential use artificial intelligence (AI) may intersect with and influence the field of social work. By engaging with relevant literature and standards, students will gain insight into the opportunities and challenges that AI presents to social work practice. The assignment aims to enhance students' knowledge and skills regarding the impact of AI on the profession and its clients.

Skills:

- Analyze the challenges and opportunities AI presents to the social work profession.
- Articulate a foundational understanding of potential impact of artificial intelligence to social work practice.

Knowledge:

- This assignment will familiarize students with fundamental understating of AI and its potential impact to social workers, and their clients. It will encourage students to critically evaluate AI's role in shaping the future of social work practice.

Tasks:

Read a journal article assigned by instructor.

Review NASW, ASWB, CSWE and CSWA Standards for Technology in Social Work Practice:

<https://www.socialworkers.org/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=bq9JrB-oVm4%3d&portalid=0>

Review NASW Code of Ethics: <https://www.socialworkers.org/About/Ethics/Code-of-Ethics/Code-of-Ethics-English>

- Examine and interpretate the potential impact of AI on future social work practice based on the provided journal article, standards and NASW Code of Ethics.
- Identify both the advantages and disadvantages of integrating artificial intelligence in your envisioned future social work practice.
- Write a 2-page reflection paper. In this reflection, analyze and predict how AI might influence your future practice. Consider the ethical implications of engaging with AI, strategies for preparation, and potential impacts on clients' well-being. Evaluate the author's biases in presenting their perspective and reflect on your own biases as well.

Criteria for Success:

Upon completion students should:

- Provide a comprehensive list of at least four pros and four cons of integrating AI into social work practice.
- Summarize their interpretation of the readings and demonstrate a clear understanding of the potential impacts of AI on their envisioned future social work practice.
- Address the biases present in the author's perspective and recognize their own biases in their reflective analysis.

Criteria	Excellent	Proficient	Basic	Not Evident
Understanding of AI's Impact on SW Practice	Demonstrates a deep understanding of potential impact on SW practice, considering nuances and complexities	Shows a clear understanding of AI's potential impact on SW practice, acknowledging key points.	Displays a basic understanding of AI's potential impact on SW practice but lacks depth and critical analysis	Lacks understanding of AI's impact on SW practice and implications on the profession
Analysis of Pros and Cons	Provides a comprehensive list of at least four well-elaborated pros and four cons	Offers a clear list of pros and cons of AI with satisfactory elaboration	Identifies some pros and cons of AI, but explanations lack depth or clarity	Fails to provide a list of pros and cons or inaccurately represents them
Reflection on Personal and Author's Bias	Offers a sophisticated analysis of both the author's & personal biases, demonstrating critical thinking and self-awareness	Analyzes both eth author's and personal biases with depth and critical thinking	Provides some insight into the author's and personal biases, but lacks depth	Fails to analyze biases in the author's perspective or personal biases.
Integration of Readings	Skillfully integrates information from the journal article and standards, showcasing a deep understanding of their implications	Effectively integrates information from the journal article and standards to support analysis and reflection	Integrates some information from the readings, but connections are unclear	Fails to integrate information from the readings or lacks coherence
Clarity and Depth of Reflection	Provides a highly insightful and thoughtful reflection on AI's impact on future social work practice, including ethical considerations	Offers a reflective analysis that demonstrates understanding and insight	Presents a basic reflection on the assignment's topic and requirements	Fails to provide a substantial reflection on AI's impact
Writing Clarity, Structure and Adherence to Lengths Requirement 2 Points	Clear, organized, easily comprehended, and adheres to specified length requirement 2 points	Mostly clear, organized, minor clarity and reflection is close to specified length requirement 1	Writing is somewhat clear, organized but maybe challenging to follow. Reflection slightly below specified length requirement	Writing is unclear, disorganized or hinders comprehension. Reflection is significantly below the specified length requirement