

Publishing on Policy and in Policy-Related Venues

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Types of Policy Writing

- Journal articles
 - Original research
 - Commentary pieces
- Op-eds, blogs, letters to the editor
- Policy briefs





Policy Briefs

- Clear and concise distillation of research and recommendations
- Written for a non-specialized audience
- Makes clear links between evidence and policy recommendations to facilitate evidence-based policymaking
- Should stand alone and not require further research





Avenues for Your Written Work

- Academic journals
 - Student journals
- Newspapers
- Blogs and newsletters
- Think tanks
- Advocacy organizations





Considerations

- Target audience
- Desired impact
- Accessibility
- Reach





Resources: Writing Policy Briefs

- Developing Policy Briefs (The World Bank)
- An Essential Guide to Writing Policy Briefs (ICPA)





Resources: Policy Brief Examples

- Contraceptive Challenges Facing Community College Students
- Unequal Burden: Challenges Facing Black Women Social Workers
- Violence against Adolescent Girls: Trends and lessons for East Africa
- Public guarantee of child support: A key policy for improving the economic well-being of lone-mother families
- <u>Is Structural Sexism Associated with Preventive Health Care Use among Women and Men?</u>
- Work-Family Life Course Trajectories and Women's Mental Health: The Moderating Role of Defamilization Policies in 15 European Territories





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