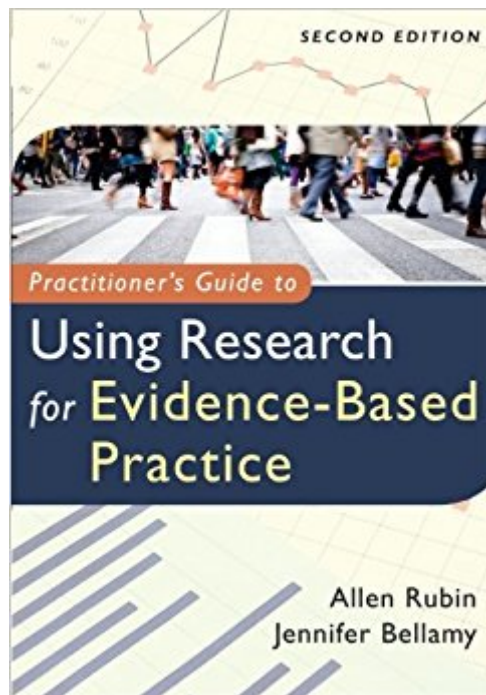




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# **Practitioner's Guide To Using Research For Evidence-Based Practice**



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Evidence-based practice requires the use of evidence, yet students often struggle with interpreting what they find in the literature and will sometimes give up on the entire process. Rubin solves this dilemma by giving us a comprehensive yet readable text for the uninitiated and he does so in a manner that may even engage the uninterested. In particular, his generous use of humor and the

inclusion of simple, practice relevant examples make this book a pleasure to read for students at almost any level. Imagine laughing while learning what you need to know about research! I never thought I'd see the day." –â•Aron Shlonsky, Ph.D., University of Toronto, Faculty of Social Work

Easy to understand; not too statistics oriented

I am teaching a class on the use of research in Evidence Based Practice (EBP). This book is just great - very well laid out and understandable. Moreover, it is cost effective for students because it comes in hardcopy as well as kindle. A great book and I highly recommend it!

Excellent book for guiding practitioners into the world of EBP in a positive and practical way

Loaded with examples and tips, written in a very friendly format; whoever, I find difficult to consult for quick reference because the key concepts are blended in the text and not highlighted.

This book provides a wide variety of information on how to critically evaluate research. It provides information on several designs and common pitfalls to avoid when conducting research. I find this book very helpful for the PhD of Nursing Research program and I will use it in subsequent classes. This is a great addition to the library of anyone interested in research.

Very dry... but it is a research book. Let's be honest... that's expected. Good information but sometimes not easy to follow

Awesome research book. I highly suggest it!

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