Registration Information
The $100 fee includes 6 hours of instruction, handouts, and refreshments. To register, visit http://www.visitgrandforks.com/meeting/participants.

Login Information
Username: 2012
Password: workshop

Parking
A parking ramp close to the Memorial Union is open for visitor parking. To locate parking options please visit http://UND.edu/discover/_files/docs/und-map.pdf.

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The Agricultural Utilization Research Institute, Bemidji, MN

October 22, 2012
8:30 am-3:00 pm
University of North Dakota
River Valley Room at Memorial Union
Needs assessment (NA) is quickly becoming a component of grants required by both government and nonprofit agencies. It is also commonly used to assess needs for community development efforts, professional training, and strategic or program planning as well as guiding groups in prioritizing resource allocations. Many grant seekers, evaluators, and community/organization leaders have a passing familiarity with NA; however, people often have little training nor fully understand this form of assessment. The October 22nd workshop provides you with an opportunity to explore the topic of needs assessments through presentations, hands-on case studies, interactive sessions, and discussions. Space is limited to a maximum of 30 participants so enroll early.

This day-long workshop will consist of three mini-sessions.
1. An overview of terms and concepts
2. Approaches to conducting a needs assessment
3. Approaches to causal analysis

Each participant will receive a booklet of materials developed by Dr. Altschuld based on his Needs Assessment Kit published by Sage.

What are the benefits of attending?
- Understand the concepts of a needs assessment;
- Learn how to start a project requiring a needs assessment;
- Acquire skills to design the needs assessment portion of your grant application;
- Understand the use of causal analysis; and
- Plan better programs based on identified needs.

Who should attend this workshop?
Evaluators, grant writers, researchers, program planners, community/organization leaders, graduate students and professionals who want to learn more about NA and developing additional skills or honing existing ones.

About the workshop leaders

Dr. James Altschuld, Professor Emeritus at The Ohio State University, is a well-known author and professor. He has been working on and presenting needs assessment for over three decades and is editor and co-author of a 5 volume NA Kit published by SAGE in 2009. He currently is working on his 9th book which ties needs assessment to asset/capacity building. He is the recipient of the Alva and Gunnar Myrdal Practice Award from the American Evaluation Association (AEA) for his contribution to evaluation.

Dr. Hsin-Ling (Sonya) Hung received her Ph.D. from The Ohio State University with emphasis in research and evaluation. She is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Educational Foundations and Research at UND. She is program co-chair of the Needs Assessment Topical Interest Group at AEA. She has presented needs assessment skill-building workshops with Dr. Altschuld at AEA annual conferences since 2008.

Another opportunity to hear Dr. Altschuld
A lecture by Dr. Altschuld on "Needs Assessment and Asset/Capacity Building: A Critical Comparison" will be held on October 23, 2012 at the Education Building Room 113 from 9:00 to 10:30 AM. This presentation is open to workshop participants and the public.