

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND COUNSELING

Department of Counseling Psychology Professional Mental Health & Addiction Counseling

CPSY 579: Capstone Class for Eating Disorder Certificate Program

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DATES: JULY 13, 20; AUGUST 3, 10, 2013 INSTRUCTOR: Susannah Castle, Psy.D.

OFFICE:

CATALOGUE DESCRIPTION

This course will provide students with the opportunity to demonstrate the knowledge accumulated from the prior three courses in order to receive certification in eating disorder treatment. The course will meet for four Saturdays. The first three Saturdays will cover topics touched on in the first three courses in greater depth (adolescents, personal accounts, minority populations, substance abuse and eating disorders and an overview of effective clinical practice) and give students an opportunity to practice therapeutic skills related to eating disorders. Students will be working on an in-depth research paper or project while in the class (with approval from the professor), which they will present on the last Saturday of the course.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

At the end of the course, students will be able to:

- 1. Be able to clearly define 4 ways to collaborate with family members in the treatment of eating disorders.
- 2. Describe and practice 3 motivational and commitment strategies to use with adolescents in the treatment of eating disorders.
- 3. Be able to describe the prevalence of eating disorders in minority populations, special considerations and barriers to treatment.
- 4. Be able to describe four particular treatment techniques and considerations for clients with eating disorders and co-occurring substance abuse disorders.
- 5. Be able to describe four treatment techniques and considerations for clients with eating disorders and co-occurring history of sexual abuse.
- 6. Describe how a feminist approach can be helpful in the treatment of eating disorders.
- 7. Be able to articulate qualities that would make an expert eating disorder clinician and their own individual approach to treatment.
- 8. Complete and present an in-depth research project/paper on a topic of their choice.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This two credit course meets on two weekends and includes self-directed and on-line activities outside of the class sessions. During the weekend meetings, didactic presentations will be balanced by group activities, video presentations, and guest speakers. Course activities include readings from texts, professional journals, guest speaker handouts, reflection exercises and inclass presentations.

TEXTS

- Treasure, J., Schmidt, U., Macdonald, P. (2008) *Clinician's Guide to Collaborative Care*. New Harbringer Publications:
- Lock, J., LeGrange, D. (2005) Help Your Teenager Beat an Eating Disorder. The Guilford Press.
- Ruskay Rabinor, J. (2002) A Starving Madness: Tales of Hunger, Hope and Healing in Psychotherapy. Gurze Books.
- Covington Armstrong, S. (2009) *Not All Black Girls Know How to Eat: A Story of Bulimia*. Chicago Press.
- Maine, M., Davis, W. and Shure, J. (2008) *Effective Clinical Practice in the Treatment of Eating Disorders: The Heart of the Matter.* Routledge.

Optional

Costin, C., Schubert Grabb, G (2011) 8 Keys to Recovery From an Eating Disorder: Effective Strategies from Therapeutic Practice and Personal Experience. Routledge.

Assignments and Projects

Reflection Papers

Students will submit two 3 page reflection papers for the second and third classes. The papers will cover any insights gleaned from the classes, discussion and readings and on how they plan to incorporate them into their practice.

In Class Practice

Students will be graded on their in-session practice of varying treatment techniques for the treatment of eating disorders. Students can choose from practicing family based techniques or techniques with adolescents the first day, creating cognitive dissonance around the thin ideal or employing other feminist techniques in practice the second day and/or using motivational and commitment strategies around co-occurring substance use disorders the third day.

Presentations and Papers and/or Write Ups.

Students will either do an in-depth 10 page research paper and or project on an eating-disorder related topic while in the course on which they will present at the last class. Students will have projects/topics approved by the professor and will be graded on the quality of both their presentations and/or project write-ups.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND EVALUATION

Evaluation Criteria:

Reflection Papers	15%	
In Class Practice	20%	
Presentations	30%	
Papers and/or Project Write-ups	35%	

90-10 points A 80-89 B 70-79 C

CPSY DEPARTMENTAL ATTENDANCE POLICY

Class attendance is expected and required. Any missed class time will be made up by completing extra assignments designed by the instructor. Missing more than ten percent of class time may result in failure to complete the class. This would be 4.5 hours of a 45 hour class (3 credits), 3.0 hours for a 30 hour class (2 credits) or 1.5 hours for a 15 hour class (1 credit.) In case of extreme hardship and also at the discretion of the instructor, a grade of incomplete may be given for an assignment or the entire course. In such cases, the work to be submitted in order to remove the incomplete must be documented appropriately and stated deadlines met. Students are expected to be on time to class and tardiness may be seen as an absence that requires make-up work.

COURSE SCHEDULE

Session 1	Readings	Assignments	Due
Adolescents and	Clinician's Guide to	In-class role play	
Eating Disorders – an	Collaborate Care	around working with	
in-depth look at		a family	
prevention and	Help Your Teenager		
treatment.	Beat an Eating	In-class role play on	
Collaborating with	Disorder	doing commitment	
families in the		and motivational	
treatment of eating	Journal Articles	strategies with a	
disorders.		teenager	
Guest presentation:		Reflection paper due	
Hilary Kinavey, LPC		in next session	

and Dana Sturtevant,		reflecting on personal	
MS, RD, LD of Be		journey with eating,	
Nourished Session 2		body issues.	
Substance abuse and	The Starving Mind	In-class role plays	Confirm with
eating disorders.	The Starving Willia	around creating	professor topic of
cating disorders.	Not All Black Girls	cognitive dissonance	paper and or design of
Sexual abuse and	Know How to Eat	around the thin ideal	project
eating disorders		and/or other	FJ
	Journal Articles	commitment	
Feminist perspectives		strategies for adult	
in the treatment of		women.	
eating disorders.			
		Reflection paper due	
Afternoon field trip to		next session exploring	
visit The Center at		topics discussed.	
Heron Hill to			
experience			
Equine Assisted			
Psychotherapy Session 3			
Personal accounts of		In along note player on	
eating disorders and		In-class role plays on working with co-	
recovery.		occurring substance	
iccovery.		use disorders or other	
Eating disorders in		co-occurring	
minority populations		disorders.	
and treatment access.			
Becoming an expert			
clinician.			
Session 4			
In-class presentations			Reflection papers
			Topic papers and/or
			project write ups.

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SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

If you need course adaptations or accommodations because of a disability and/or you have emergency medical information to share please make an appointment with the instructor as soon as possible.