

Lewis & Clark College
Professional Mental Health Counseling & Professional Mental Health
Counseling – Specialization in Addictions
MHC 524
Counseling and Interventions with Adults
Syllabus Cover Sheet

Required Objectives:

Professional Counseling Identity (CACREP 2016 Standards)

- 1i ethical standards of professional counseling organizations and credentialing bodies, and applications of ethical and legal considerations in professional counseling
- 5d. ethical and culturally relevant strategies for establishing and maintaining in-person and technology-assisted relationships
- 5j. evidence based counseling strategies and techniques for prevention and intervention
- 5k. strategies to promote client understanding of and access to a variety of community based resources
- 5l. suicide prevention models and strategies
- 7c. procedures for assessing risk of aggression or danger to others, self-inflicted harm, or suicide
- 8b. identification of evidence-based counseling practices

Entry-Level Specialty: Clinical Mental Health Counseling (CACREP 2016 Standards)

- C1c. principles, models and documentation formats of biopsychosocial case conceptualization and treatment planning
- C2b. etiology, nomenclature, treatment, referral, and prevention of mental and emotional disorders
- C2c. mental health service delivery modalities within the continuum of care, such as inpatient, outpatient, partial treatment and aftercare, and the mental health counseling services networks
- C2l. legal and ethical considerations specific to clinical mental health counseling
- C3b. techniques and interventions for prevention and treatment of a broad range of mental health issues
- C3d. strategies for interfacing with integrated behavioral health care professionals

Key Required Assignments/Student Learning Outcomes

These assignments are required for the course, but will not be the only requirements/expectations. The chart below lists the assignment, method of submission, and benchmark score/grade. These assignments are set up for **upload to Taskstream** and/or instructor provides rating for assignment. See syllabus for details.

Theory and Research into Practice		Proficient (A)	Benchmark (B)	Emerging (C)	Inadequate/Fail	As evidenced by:	Evaluation and Remediation
Goal 4 of 6							
Understands and applies interventions	Early Program	Demonstrates strong understanding of interventions and evidence based practices with adults Course grade of A and 90% or higher on best practice	Demonstrates adequate understanding of interventions and evidence based practices with adults. Course grade: B and 80% or higher on best practice	Demonstrates inadequate understanding of interventions and evidence based practices with adults Course grade: C or below		MHC 524: Final grade AND Best Practices paper 80% minimum grade	First year portfolio/advis or review; referral to Benchmark Review Committee Assessment note: Best practices paper is a group project

Theory and Research into Practice		Proficient (A)	Benchmark (B)	Emerging (C)	Inadequate/Fail	As evidenced by:	Evaluation and Remediation
Goal 5 of 6							
Able to gather client data, conceptualize and develop a treatment plan	Early program	Demonstrates excellent understanding of conceptualizing and developing a tx plan	Demonstrates adequate understanding of conceptualization/tx planning	Demonstrates emerging understanding of conceptualization/tx planning	Fails to gather client data, conceptualize and develop a treatment plan	MHC 524: Final grade AND Best Practices paper uploaded to Taskstream with 80% minimum grade	First year portfolio/advis or review; referral to Benchmark Review Committee Assessment note: Best practices paper is a group project and should not be only consideration in student evaluation

Methods of Instruction for this Course

Instruction Method	Mark All That Apply
Lecture	X
Small Group Discussion	X
Large Group Discussion	X
Course Readings	X
Group Presentation	
Individual Presentation	
DVD/Video Presentation	X
Supervised Small Group Work	
Individual/Triadic Supervision	
Group Supervision	
Case Study	X
Debate	
Class Visitor / Guest Lecturer	
Off-Campus / Field Visit	
Other:	



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REQUIRED TEXTS

Leah, R. L., Tirsch, D., & Napolitano, L. A. (2011). *Emotion regulation in psychotherapy: A practitioner's guide*. Guilford: New York.

Mahoney, M. (2003). *Constructive psychotherapy: Theory and practice*. Guilford: New York.

Supplemental Texts:

American Counseling Association (2014). *ACA code of ethics*. Alexandria, VA.

American Psychiatric Association (2013). *Diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders (5th ed.)*. American Psychiatric Association: Washington, DC.

ADDITIONAL REQUIRED AND RECOMMENDED READINGS

Additional articles, chapters, and other materials will be used during the course. These materials will be made available electronically or via hard copy handout(s) throughout the semester.

Required Readings (All copies can be found on Moodle):

Each week there will be both text and electronic readings due. Please read the materials ahead of the class and come prepared to discuss them.

Recommended Readings:

On Moodle there are also suggested readings and additional resources. They are marked as additional materials and are not required for the course.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course addresses contemporary approaches to assessment, treatment planning, and intervention based in biopsychosocial systems and empirically supported interventions. Major areas include mood disorders, anxiety disorders, psychotic disorders, personality disorders, substance abuse and addictive disorders including eating disorders and gambling. Topics include multicultural, interpersonal, and relationship factors as well as evidence-based

treatments. Emphasis is on planning comprehensive, multifaceted treatment interventions.
(CACREP 5j , C2b, 8b,C3b – covered in multiple weeks/topics in schedule)

OBJECTIVES (ALSO REFER TO COVER SHEET)

The student will:

1. Demonstrate ability to gather client data, conceptualize and develop some understanding of clinical interventions.
2. Demonstrate the ability to consume, critique, and understand professional counseling and mental health science.
3. Demonstrate ability to conceptualize client concerns within a contextual framework that values both clinical and cultural competency.
4. Demonstrate understanding of both common factors to counseling and treatment specific interventions.

DISABILITY SERVICES STATEMENT

If you have a disability that may impact your academic performance, you may request accommodations by submitting documentation to the Student Support Services Office in the Albany Quadrangle (503-768-7192). After you have submitted documentation and filled out paperwork there for the current semester requesting accommodations, staff in that office will notify me of the accommodations for which you are eligible.

COUNSELING, THERAPY, AND SCHOOL PSYCH DEPARTMENT ATTENDANCE POLICY

COVID-19 Pandemic Instruction: This course will be held in person to the best of our ability while following institution, state, and federal guidelines.

Department 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 (i.e., 1.5 hours for a 15 hour class; 1 credit) may result in failure to complete the class. 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.

EVALUATION

Case Conceptualization Paper (60 points)

DUE: 10/18 *Submitted through Moodle in pdf format.*

It is essential as a counselor to have a strong theoretical underpinning to your clinical work. Theory, when integrated with the contexts of a client's circumstances, identity, and resources, help guide treatment and interventions in a meaningful manner. In this assignment students will be presented with a clinical vignette. Students will be responsible to provide a case conceptualization utilizing their current theoretical orientation. Students will

be required to include a multicultural orientation that incorporates culture, systems, contextual factors, and the broader ecology when developing a treatment approach. Students will write a 3-5 page paper for this assignment. Students will be graded on the:

- clarity of theoretical position
- depth of thought regarding the client concerns, identities, and contexts
- the clinical vision of treatment

Classroom Discussion and Participation (20 points)

This course is heavily participatory and requires students to engage in both dyadic and experiential training methods. Students are expected to attend class in order to participate in course discussions, lectures, technique practice, and exploring the topics in class. It is also expected that students have done the assigned readings prior to that class meeting. Students are allowed one excused absence. Further absences will result in a loss of attendance points for the course.

Therapeutic Approaches Videos Discussion (20 points)

DUE: 10/25 ***Watch videos on your own time and engage group activity in class***

As a counselor-in-training, it can be helpful to observe other providers engage in counseling sessions with clients. This is true even if the sessions are televised productions. Students will watch TWO counseling sessions based on either theoretical orientation interest or clinical concern of interest.

Take notes of your observations. What were the interventions the counselor used? How did the client respond? How did the session go, overall? Were there things you would have done differently? If so, what and how?

Term Paper: Intervention/Treatment Modality Research Paper (100 points)

DUE: 11/29 ***Submitted through Moodle in pdf format.***

Effective counselors select treatments that have a coherent theoretical intention and ideally have research supporting its outcomes. Additionally, counselors need to be able to understand mental health related science and research to be able to discern current trends, evidence-based practices, and clinical considerations.

You will write an 8-10 page paper (APA style) on a treatment intervention from the following list below.

Students will be graded on:

- Clarity of technical writing (20 points)
- Articulation of understanding of the clinical approach, its origins, assumptions, and research (40 points)
- Articulation of strengths and limitations of the approach (40 points)

Example Professional Counseling Approaches Topic List

- Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT) for anxiety/depression

- Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT) for pain
- Applied Suicide Intervention and Skills Training
- Behavioral Activation (BA) for depression
- Cognitive Processing Therapy (CPT) for Trauma
- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) for anxiety/depression
- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) for eating disorders (Fairburn's Transdiagnostic Treatment)
- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) for insomnia
- Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) for eating disorders
- Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) for borderline personality disorder
- Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) for substance use disorders
- Emotionally Focused Couples Therapy
- Emotion Focused Therapy (for depression)
- Exposure Therapy (ET) for anxiety disorders
- Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR) for trauma
- Gottman Method for Couples Therapy
- Interpersonal Therapy for Depression
- Mindfulness Based Cognitive Therapy for Depression
- Motivational Interviewing (MI) for substance use disorders
- Motivational Interviewing (MI) for health related behaviors
- Narrative Therapy for Adult Clients (Michael White)
- Prolonged Exposure for Anxiety
- Relational Cultural Therapy
- Schema Therapy for depression/anxiety
- Schema Therapy for personality/pervasive characterological concerns
- Seeking Safety for Co-morbid Trauma and Substance Use concerns
- Solution Focused Brief Therapy
- Time Limited Dynamic Psychotherapy

SUMMARY OF POINTS

Case Conceptualization	60 points
Video Observations	20 points
Class Attendance	20 points
<u>Term Paper</u>	<u>100 points</u>
TOTAL	200 points

COURSE GRADING SCALE

95-100% = A
90-94% = A-
87-89% = B+
84-86% = B
80-83% = B-
77-79% = C+
74-76% = C
70-73% = C-
≤ 69% = F

CLASS STRUCTURE AND SCHEDULE			
Date	CACREP Standards	Topic	Readings & Assignments
9/6	1i 5d C1c C3d	1. Introduction to the Course -Theoretical Orientation -Contextual Factors Guiding our Work -Clinical Intentionality and Flexibility -Evidenced Based Practices	<i>Optional:</i> -Boyd-Franklin et al. (2013) Chapter 2 -Sexton article
9/13	5d C1c C2b	2. Foundations of Counseling Practice -Establishing the Counseling Frame -Case Conceptualization -Treatment Planning	- <i>Mahoney Chapter 1-3</i> - <i>Leahy et al. Chapter 1 & 3</i> -Hays Article -Elliot et al. Chapter 7
9/20	1i 5l 7c	3. Counseling for Stabilization -Crisis Counseling -Interventions on Suicidality -Working on Aggression -Handling Mental Health Emergencies	- <i>Mahoney Chapter 4</i> - <i>Leahy et al. Chapter 10</i> -Chiles & Strosahl Chapter 3
9/27	5j 5k 8b C2b C2l C3b C3d	4. Working with Anxiety & Obsessive-Compulsive Concerns -Central Issues in Anxiety Treatment -Cognitive, Affective, Behavioral, and Interpersonal Interventions	- <i>Leahy et al. Chapter 6</i> -Abramowitz et al. Chapters 4 & 5 -Sisemore Chapter 2 -Leahy 2003
10/4	5j 5k 8b C2b C2l C3b C3d	5. Working with Mood Concerns -Central Issues in Mood Related Treatment -Cognitive, Affective, Behavioral, and Interpersonal Interventions	- <i>Mahoney Chapter 9</i> - <i>Leahy et al. Chapter 4</i> -Nadal et al (2014) article -Allen, McHugh, & Barlow (2008)
10/11	5j 5k 8b C2b C2l C3b C3d	6. Working with Psychosis -Acute versus chronic issues -Stabilization and long term -Working with systems of care -Problem solving and emotion regulation	--Wright (2014) Chapters 2 & 6 --Bechdolf et al. --Mian et al (2017)
10/18	5j 5k 8b C2b C2l C3b C3d	7. Working with Trauma -Central Issues in Trauma Treatment -Cognitive Interventions, Emotional Processes, Identity & Relational Functioning -Mindfulness	- <i>Leahy et al. Chapter 5</i> -Briere & Scott Chapter 4 -Najavits Handout on Grounding
10/25	5j 5k 8b C2b C2l	8. Counselor Identity and Approaches	-Watch 2 videos of approaches you are interested in

	C3b C3d	(Bring in notes on the two videos you watched to discuss)	-Warren et. al (2010) -Dockray online article on Community Care --Angel Davis—Radical Self Care video -Values exploration
11/1	5j 5k 8b C2b C2l C3b C3d	9. Working with Personality Disorders and Complex Interpersonal Concerns -Central Issues in PD Treatment -Cognitive (schema), Affective, Behavioral, and Interpersonal Interventions	- <i>Leahy et a. Chapter 8</i> - <i>Mahoney Chapter 6</i> -Reichenberg & Seligman Chapter 19 -Teyber 7 & 9
11/8	5j 5k 8b C2b C2l C3b C3d	10. Working with Eating Disorders and Body Image Concerns -Central Issues in ED Treatment -Cognitive, Affective, Behavioral, and Interpersonal Interventions -Medical considerations	- <i>Leahy et al. Chapter 7</i> - <i>Mahoney Chapter 7</i> -Fairburn et al. article -Smolak, L, & Chun-Kennedy, C. (2013).
11/15	5j 5k 8b C2b C2l C3b C3d	11. Working with Transference, Countertransference, and Defenses and Resistances -How to work in difficult contexts -Therapy Interfering Behaviors -Using the therapeutic relationship for change	- <i>Mahoney Chapter 10</i> -Wachtel Chapters 8 & 9
11/29	5d 5k C2b C2c C3b C3d	12. Understanding the Broader Contextual and Ecological Factors to Counseling I	-Ratts & Pederson Chapters 7 & 8 -Owen et al. Article.
12/6	5d 5k C2b C2c C3b C3d	13. Understanding the Broader Contextual and Ecological Factors to Counseling II	-Nadal et al. (2014) -Sue Chapter 3 -Kugelmass (2016)
12/13	5j 5k 8b C2b C2l C3b C3d	14. Integrating Our Work -Developing clinical flexibility -How to make sense of various approaches	- <i>Mahoney Chapter 8 & 9</i> -Laska et a. (2014) article -Ecker & Hulley (1996) Chapter 1 & 5