

CUMBERLAND COUNTY COLLEGE

Course: SO 223: Drug & Alcohol Certification Fieldwork I

Credits: 3

Prerequisites: SO 201, PY 202, PY 205

Description:

Fieldwork I is designed to give the student a veridical understanding of alcohol and drug practice. Students volunteer at various local drug and alcohol agencies*. The focus is on addiction as a disease as well as environmental contributions to the addiction. The effects on the individual and family will be covered in addition to other support systems for those affected by addictions. A LCADC (License Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor) at the agency directs and monitors the students' activities 90 hours during the semester.

*90 hours of filed experience required.

Learning Outcomes:

At the completion of this course, students should be able to:

- Identify and discuss the signs, symptoms, causes and patterns of addictive behavior both physical and mental effects
- Discuss and analyze addiction based on the disease model and environmental issues
- Demonstrate alcohol and drug practice values, and their utilization in an agency setting
- Interact with clients on a professional level
- Examine the legal and ethical principles in society around addiction

Topical Outline:

- The Stages of Change
- Assessment
- Treatment Plan
- Individual Treatment
- Group Treatment
- Couple Treatment and Family Involvement
- Populations with Special Needs: The Cases of Women and DUI Offenders
- Relapse
- Applications in Opportunistic Settings
- Final Thoughts and Future Directions

Text: Connors, Gerard J., DiClemente, Carlo C. Velasquez, Mary Marden, & Donovan, Dennis

M. (2013). *Substance Abuse Treatment and the Stages of Change* (2nd. Ed.). The Guildford Press.

Student Assessment: Portfolio required. Additional assessment may be accomplished through projects, portfolios, exams, presentations and/or papers

Note: If you are having difficulty with work in this class tutoring is available through the Center for Academic & Student Success. If you think that you might have a learning disability, contact Project Assist at 856.691.8600 x 1282 for information on assistance that can be provided to eligible students.

Academic Integrity: Plagiarism is cheating. Plagiarism is presenting in written work, in public speaking, and in oral reports the ideas or exact words of someone else without proper documentation. Whether the act of plagiarism is deliberate or accidental [ignorance of the proper rules for handling material is no excuse], plagiarism is, indeed, a “criminal” offense. As such, a plagiarized paper or report automatically receives a grade of **ZERO** and the student may receive a grade of **F** for the semester at the discretion of the instructor.

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Before Withdrawing From This Course

If a student experiences adverse circumstances while enrolled in this course and considers withdrawing, s/he should see an advisor (division or advisement center) **BEFORE** withdrawing from the class. A withdrawal may cause harmful repercussions to completion rate standards and overall GPA which can limit or eliminate future financial aid in addition to causing academic suspension.