COUN 660.002: DOCTORAL FIELD EXPERIENCE
INTERNSHIP
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Binnion 234
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CATALOG DESCRIPTION OF COURSE
660. Doctoral Field Experience. Three (3) semester hours.
The doctoral field experience is repeated for a minimum of nine semester hours, during
which time students are involved in various supervised experiences. The first three semester
hours include 300 clock hours of supervised clinical work in The Community Counseling and
Psychology Clinic, an integrated university-based facility where students engage in
counseling activities with individuals, families, couples, and groups, with attention to
broadening and refining advanced counseling skills. The remaining six semester hours (600
clock hours) include 300 clock hours of clinical experience in an approved site, plus 300
clock hours of supervised teaching and clinical supervision. During this time students are
expected to expand their counseling, teaching, and supervision skills. Prerequisites: Coun
610 and 620; consent of Doctoral Internship Coordinator
[NOTE: This is the proposed revision for the next catalog.]

GENERAL COURSE INFORMATION
The Clinical Internship portion (300 hours) of Doctoral Field Experience includes a
continuation of Advanced Practicum with experience focused on acquisition and further
development of counseling skills. This is primarily done in at the Community Counseling
Center and Psychology Clinic, an on-campus training facility. Students may, however,
request placement at an external site. This site must meet specific criteria and receive prior
approval by the Doctoral Internship Coordinator. Weekly individual and/or triadic
supervision is provided throughout the semester. Additional group supervision with other
interns is scheduled throughout the semester with a program faculty member, usually the
Doctoral Internship Coordinator.

COURSE OBJECTIVES include, but are not limited to, the following.
The student will demonstrate understanding of theories and gain advanced practice
pertaining to the:
1. principles of counseling
2. principles of group work
3. principles of systems
4. principles of consultation
5. models and methods of assessment and use of data

CONTENT AREAS include, but are not limited to, the following:

I. Advanced applications of counseling
II. Advanced applications of group work
III. Advanced applications of systems approaches
IV. Advanced applications of consultation
V. Advanced applications of assessment

METHOD OF INSTRUCTION
Discussion and supervised practice

COURSE REQUIREMENTS
Clinical internship hours are accumulated in the designated site. Three hundred (300) hours, 100 of those will be direct client contact, are required for completion of this course. These direct hours will minimally include work from the following areas: individual counseling, group counseling, & career counseling. Students are required to attend weekly supervision with the site supervisor (1hr. individual or triadic).

STUDENT PERFORMANCE EVALUATION CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES
The student will be given a grade of S(satisfactory) or U (unsatisfactory) at the completion of the semester based on the following:

1. The Department of Counseling is obligated by professional ethics (see ACA Code of Ethics, 2005) and University procedure to assess students as to their potential for meeting the expectations of the professional counseling field. The Counseling Student Competency Evaluation will be used as a basis for assessment. Copies of the CSCE are available from the Department website or by contacting the Department of Counseling office. Students will meet with the instructor the week of 3/19 and 4/23, for mid-term and final evaluations, respectively. Individual times will be set for these meetings.
2. The student will complete two tape assignments due on 2/26 and 4/09, respectively.
3. Students will collaborate (in pairs) to develop a theory demonstration for the rest of the class. Detailed instructions will be provided on the first night of class.
4. Students are required to attend each class meeting over the course of the semester.

Evaluation
Tape 1  20 points
Tape 2  20 points
Collaboration Assignment  30 points
Attendance/Part.  30 points
Total                      100 points

REQUIRED TEXT(S) AND/OR READING(S)
Readings will be assigned as needed.

ATTENDANCE
The student’s are required to comply with the attendance policy at their site. Students must attend each class meeting.
ACCOMMODATIONS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES
The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal anti-discrimination statute that provides comprehensive civil rights protection for persons with disabilities. Among other things, this legislation requires that all students with disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides for reasonable accommodation of their disabilities. If you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact:
Office of Student Disability Resources and Services
Texas A&M University-Commerce
Gee Library
Room 132
Phone (903) 886-5150 or (903) 886-5835
Fax (903) 468-8148
StudentDisabilityServices@tamu-commerce.edu

CONDUCT AND ACADEMIC HONESTY
"All students enrolled at the University shall follow the tenets of common decency and acceptable behavior conducive to a positive learning environment." (See Student's Guide Handbook, Polices and Procedures, Conduct) "Graduate students at Texas A&M University-Commerce are expected to maintain high standards of integrity and honesty in all their scholastic work." (See Section A13.12, Academic Honesty, A&M-Commerce Procedures.)

UNIVERSITY CLOSING DUE TO WEATHER
Check http://www.tamu-commerce.edu/ regarding class cancellations. Also, KETR radio on 88.9 FM and television channels 4, 5, and 8 (channel 7 for Tyler & Longview Area).

Tentative Course Schedule

1/15  Orientation and review of the syllabus
2/12  Staffing.
2/26  Staffing. First Tape Due.
3/19  Staffing. Mid-term Evaluations.
4/09  Staffing. Second Tape Due.
COUN 660- Clinical Internship in Counseling
Contact Information Sheet

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