COUN 697: Clinical Supervision
Summer 2015
Harold Murphy Counseling Clinic

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CATALOG DESCRIPTION OF COURSE
697. Clinical Supervision. Three (3) semester hours.
Clinical supervision is a supervised clinical course in which incoming doctoral students are
required to maintain a roster of at least two (2) clients with individuals, families, couples, and/or
groups, with attention to broadening and refining advanced counseling skills. This course is
offered through The Harold Murphy Counseling Clinic in McKinney, Texas through the
McKinney Independent School District. This course will prepare doctoral students for the
upcoming course, CO 660: Advanced Practicum.

GENERAL COURSE INFORMATION
This course is offered through both summer terms for incoming doctoral students. This is a
mandatory experience in which doctoral students are required to maintain a roster of at least
two (2) clients throughout the summer terms I and II. Group supervision, weekly individual
and/or triadic supervision is provided throughout the Summer (Terms I and II) by the instructor
of record.

OBJECTIVES
Students will:
1. Demonstrate knowledge of and ability to triage;
2. Develop and document a complete DSM multi-axial diagnosis and comprehensive treatment Plan;
3. Assess and document client potential for self harm or harm to others (eg. assessment of
risk and intervention & prevention);
4. Demonstrate knowledge of major diagnosis including phenomenology of the disorder and
diagnostic criteria;
5. Demonstrate knowledge of major psychotherapeutic approaches;
6. Develop interpersonal and communication skills including the ability to clearly and succinctly transmit (verbally & in writing) information as well as perform consultation and make
appropriate referrals.

CONTENT AREAS include, but are not limited to, the following:
I. Orientation to the framework of an active clinic practice.
II. Application of advanced counseling skills in a clinical setting
METHOD OF INSTRUCTION
Group and triadic supervision with individual supervision provided as necessary.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS
Students enrolled in COUN 697-Clinical Supervision will attend staffing sessions at the Harold Murphy Counseling Clinic. **Attendance at staffing is mandatory.**
To complete the course, each student must complete 15 total hours in the HMCC. Those 15 hours are client contact hours. Students are also expected to complete duties at the clinic as needed (i.e. conduct intakes, complete client files, etc.).

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.
2. Students are required to bring taped interactions with clients to each staffing as scheduled.
3. Students will turn in one tape/case conceptualization assignment. Presentation times will be assigned.
4. Students will meet with the instructor on the week of **July 3** and the week of **August 7**, for mid-term and final evaluations, respectively. Individual times will be set for these meetings.

**Evaluation**
- Attendance and Participation 10 points
- Tape/Case Conceptualization Assignment 40 points
**Total 50 points**

REQUIRED TEXT(S) AND/OR READING(S)
Text and/or articles and other scholarly materials will be assigned as needed in the course and, for the most part, will be offered through e-College.

ATTENDANCE
The student is expected to attend class regularly. If the student misses 2 or more class meetings, a grade of “U” or Unsatisfactory will be assigned or the student will be encouraged to drop the course. Additionally, if a student attends class late by a margin of 20 minutes or greater on four different occasions, the student will be assigned a grade of “U” or be encouraged to drop the course.

**FORMAL CASE Conceptualization**
For this project, select a client with whom you are having some difficulty and would like additional feedback or a client with whom you have had some measurable success.
Conceptualization Outline:

1. Client information / Brief Biopsychosocial History
   a. Description of the client (age, race, gender)
   b. Statement of the client’s problem
   c. Family, home, cultural background
   d. Relationship status and relationship/sexual history
   e. Physical health history
   f. Educational history
   g. Occupational history
   h. Social interactions, hobbies, recreational activities, and spiritual involvement

2. Counseling history
   a. Previous counseling or evidence of concerns
   b. Precipitants to intake
   c. Summary of work thus far (number of sessions with you, content)

3. Current conceptualization
   a. Assessment (mental status observations, self-report, instrument results, client strengths, client needs)
   b. Diagnostic impressions in DSM-IV-TR format
   c. Brief case conceptualization (what do you think is going on? what would your theory say is the issue? Role of social/cultural issues?)
   d. Treatment plan (client’s goals, your goals, and approaches used thus far)
   e. Theory-based plans for future sessions

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Texas A&M University-Commerce
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StudentDisabilityServices@tamuc.edu

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