Midland College
DAAC 1311 Counseling Theories
Fall Semester 2008
3 Semester Credit Hours (3 Lecture/0 Lab)

Instructor Information:
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ALWAYS MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO MEET WITH THE INSTRUCTOR!

Course Description:
The student will be introduced to the major theories of various treatment modalities and will be able to identify, define, and explain techniques relevant to the various theories. Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to discuss the major approaches to treatment. Co-requisite: DAAC 1319.

Text required:

Goals and Objectives:
Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to:
- Identify major counseling theories
- Compare and contrast the differences regarding the counseling theories introduced
- Define the various theoretical approaches
- Explain techniques associated with the theories
- Demonstrate an understanding of the need to individualize the counseling modality in accordance with culture, gender, lifestyle, and problem differences

- Please refer to the DSHS website for licensure requirements: www.dshs.state.tx.us, substance abuse, licensure, LCDC Handbook

Assignments:
The student will compile an ongoing notebook emphasizing the theories introduced in the course.

Student Contributions and Class Policies:
Class Participation means coming to class prepared and on time, having assignments completed before class, not in class, questions and notes are to be well thought and prepared. Attending to class activities and NOT doing other things and being alert and attentive during class is required. Voluntary participation, but not at the coercion or prompting of others, is required.

Preparation will take approximately 6 hours per week outside of class. The student is responsible for his/her own learning and professional growth. It is the student’s responsibility to conduct a realistic self-appraisal of what it to be individually mastered and how to best obtain this mastery. CHALLENGE YOURSELF TO GROW!

You are responsible for all work covered in class, even if absent. In the case you are absent; it is your responsibility to contact another student to obtain material missed.
Midland College does not tolerate scholastic dishonesty or academic misconduct in any form. Please refer to the MC Student Handbook for more detailed information on this subject.

CONFIDENTIALITY: These classes prepare you for a career in counseling. Some class discussions will deal with confidential material of yours and other students. Privileged information that is shared in class may under NO CIRCUMSTANCES be repeated or shared outside of the classroom. In regards to written materials, you OWN feelings, opinions, and/or insights may be shared. You are training to be professionals, act as a professional and use ETHICS!

CAUTION: IF YOU ARE NOT SURE, KEEP THE TRUST!

Attendance is expected at each class meeting, unless you have an EXCUSED ABSENCE (refer to page 64 of the Student Handbook). Absences will be a factor in determining your participation/attendance grade. A total of six classroom hours of unexcused absences will earn the student an “F".

Cheating is not tolerated at Midland College. Please refer to page 65 of the handbook and read the information posted regarding the college policy on cheating, plagiarism, and collusion.

Evaluation of Students:

Numerical grades are assigned as follows:

- 90 - 100 = A  Attendance and Participation  23
- 89 - 80  = B  Assignments  22
- 79 - 70  = C  Mid-term exam  22
- 69 - 60  = D  Final Notebook  33
- 59 - 0  = F  Total  100

ADA Statement:

Any student who, because of a disabling condition, may require some special arrangements in order to meet course requirements should contact the instructor as soon as possible. These conditions may include documented physical or educational disabilities. Please be aware that services and/or accommodations are not automatic. Each student must request them and secure proper authorizations.

Departmental Information:

- Dean of Math & Sciences: Dr. Margaret Wade; Office 125 SF Bldg., Telephone: 685-4613
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