Instructor Information:

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ALWAYS MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO MEET WITH THE INSTRUCTOR!

Course Description:
The student will be introduced to the study of theories and processes involved in the diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders in correlation to substance-related disorders, emphasizing the personality disorders that are commonly co-occurring with a substance-related diagnosis.

Text required:

Text Recommended:

Goals and Objectives:

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to:

- Specify abnormal behavior and its modification
- Discuss the multiaxial system of diagnosis from the universal diagnostic classification codes
- Determine the correct diagnosis given a vignette.
- Compare various treatment modalities

* Please refer to the DSHS website for licensure requirements: www.dhs.state.tx.us

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.

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.
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 14 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”.

Evaluation of Students:
Numerical grades are assigned as follows:
- 90 - 100 = A  
  Attendance and Participation  25%
- 89 - 80 = B  
  Assignments  25%
- 79 - 70 = C  
  Notebook  25%
- 69 - 60 = D  
  Tests  25%
- 59 - 0 = F  
  Final Project  25%

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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