COURSE OUTLINE

COURSE TITLE: INTRO TO HUMAN RELATIONS

CODE NO.: HSCI03 SEMESTER: ONE

PROGRAM: TEACHER ASSISTANT PROGRAM

INSTRUCTOR: LINDA POZZEBON

DATE: SEPT.96 PREVIOUS OUTLINE DATED: SEPT.95

TOTAL CREDITS: 3

LENGTH OF COURSE: 17 WKS

PREREQUISITE: NONE

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 48 HOURS

NOTE: Do not discard this outline. It will be required by other educational institutions if you are attempting to obtain credit for this course
3. Identify and promote their personal growth as an element in human relations work:

Elements of the performance:

On written tests and assignments, and in class demonstrations and discussions, the student will:

a. Demonstrate a commitment to personal wellness
b. Identify various elements of their personal motivations
c. Identify various elements of their social interaction style and behaviour
d. Identify the factors which affect personal disclosure
e. Celebrate the differences between people
f. Discuss the origins and effects of stress, the effect of stress on interpersonal relations, and demonstrate common stress management strategies

C. Topics

(Please see attached...)

D. Required Resources/Texts/Materials:


E. Evaluation Process/Grading System:

1. Quizzes: There will be five tests (5)*, scheduled evenly throughout the term. A one week notice will be provided for each quiz. A "quiz" will consist of multiple-choice and/or true-false questions. It is intended to provide feedback to the students regarding their understanding of text material.

   * (each covering 2 chapters)

2. Completion and submission of exercises from the "Activities Manual" as assigned. Each student will complete four.

3. Completion and submission of a "Personal Reflections" journal with concluding discussion. This will be described more fully in class. In brief, it involves a reflection on the personal impact of each chapter of the text. It is completed upon completion of review of each chapter. It is to be submitted to the professor upon request throughout the term (the value is lost if it is not done after each chapter but is left entirely to the end - this assignment is designed to help the student to "track" their learning progress). At the end of the semester, the entire journal is submitted, together with a concluding discussion on the personal impact of the course overall, including a description of the growth which occurred personally, the Human Relations skills learned and how they are being used, and the relevance of this journal assignment.

4. Class Involvement: This course depends upon students being punctual, present and involved. Learning for everyone is enhanced when the students contribute, question, challenge, share, risk and support. At the end of the term each student will be asked to comment on the quality of their involvement, including but not limited to: attendance, punctuality, constructive contribution, demonstration of respect, demonstration of skills learned, preparedness for class.

   Contributions can only be made by people who are present in class. Therefore, the grading for this section will be scaled to the attendanc statistic for each student. If overall attendance falls below 60% of the class time, the grade for this section will be "0". Students who find it difficult to attend classes are invited to discuss this with the professor. Such discussion does not change the requirements of this section.
GRADING SUMMARY:

Quizzes: 5X 20 100%
Assignments: 4, each out of 5 35%
Personal Reflection Journal 50%
Involvement 15%

Total 200% divided by two = 100%

F. SPECIAL NOTES:

1. Regarding the definitions used in this outline, such as "test" and "quiz": the application is "course specific". The applications here should not be assumed to be relevant to any other course. Students are reminded to check course requirements with the professor of the particular course.

2. The nature of this experience:

This course is set up to be an educational experience. The premise of the course is that a person can only integrate and apply Human Relations concepts and skills when they have applied them personally. Anything less may be viewed as not genuine. To this end, a degree of personal disclosure will be encouraged and expected. Students will learn how to create an "atmosphere of safety and encouragement" which invites personal disclosure and improves Human Relations.

This course is not intended to be a therapy session. The professor will be vigilant in this regard. Excessive or dominating personal disclosure will be redirected, respectfully, in the direction of the course objectives. Students are reminded of the services of the College, including Counselling, to assist with personal matters. The professor can explain and assist further.

Confidentiality is observed by the professor, within legal and professional limits. This applies to all course discussions and assignments.
Students are required to observe confidentiality in the same fashion. If a student believes there to be a need to discuss another student's actions or personal disclosures which occur in this course, this must be done first with the course professor. Any "breach" of confidentiality will be investigated as a possible violation of Child and Youth Worker professional ethics, and as a possible violation of Sault College's Student Rights and Responsibilities.

Students are expected to be familiar with the Child and Youth Worker Code of Ethics, and/or with the Code of Ethics relevant to their profession if it is not C.Y.W. As well, students are expected to be familiar with Sault College's Student Rights and Responsibilities (contained in the Student Handbook).

COLLEGE GRADING POLICY

90 - 100% = A+
80 - 89% = A
70 - 79% = B
60 - 69% = C
BELOW 60% = R

SPECIAL NOTES

Special Needs
If you are a student with special needs (e.g., physical limitations, visual impairments, hearing impairments, learning disabilities), you are encouraged to discuss required accommodations with the instructor and/or contact the Special Needs Office, Room E1204, Ext 493, 717, 491 so that support services can be arranged for you.

Retention of Course Outlines
It is the responsibility of the student to retain all course outlines for possible future use in acquiring advanced standing at other post-secondary institutions.

PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT

Students who wish to apply for advanced credit in the course should consult the instructor.
TOPICS
May be adjusted or added to as course develops. Also, the order will vary to correspond with the textbook.

1.0 A First Look at Interpersonal Relationships
Upon successful completion of this unit, the student will be able to:
1.1 describe the type of needs that communications can satisfy
1.2 describe the elements and characteristics of three communication models
1.3 differentiate between interpersonal and impersonal communications
1.4 discuss the principles and misconceptions of communications
1.5 list and discuss the content and relational dimensions of communications
1.6 define the term "metacommunication" and give examples
1.7 outline the characteristics of effective communicators in relation to themselves
1.8 complete self-inventories that identify their communication skill level and personal relational messages sent to others

2.0 Communication and the Self
Upon successful completion of this unit, the student will be able to:
2.1 define the term "self-concept"
2.2 explain how the self-concept develops in human beings
2.3 explain the characteristics of self-concept
2.4 define the term "self-fulfilling prophecy"
2.5 outline and discuss the requirements to change the self-concept
2.6 complete self-inventories that identify their self-concept, their perceived self, their desired self, their presenting self, how others affect their self-concept and identify their own imposed and other imposed self-fulfilling prophecies

3.0 Perception: What You See is What You Get
Upon successful completion of this unit, the student will be able to:
3.1 define and explain the perception process
3.2 identify and discuss the variables that influence the perception process
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3.3 discuss the factors that affect perceptual accuracy/inaccuracy
3.4 discuss the use of empathy versus sympathy
3.5 complete self-inventories that identify their own perceptual errors, cultural, subcultural, sex and occupational factors that affect their perception and describe personal perception checking behaviours used

4.0 Emotions: Thinking, Feeling, Acting
Upon successful completion of this unit, the student will be able to:
4.1 describe the components of emotion
4.2 provide reasons why emotions are not expressed
4.3 describe the characteristics of debilitative and facilitative emotions
4.4 outline the relationship between activating events, thoughts and emotion
4.5 list and discuss the emotional fallacies
4.6 outline the steps in the rational-emotive approach
4.7 outline the guidelines for expressing emotions
4.8 complete self-inventories that identify components of emotional events in their lives, increase their ability to express emotions and minimize their debilitative emotional states

5.0 Listening: More Than Meets the Ear
Upon successful completion of this unit, the student will be able to:
5.1 outline and discuss the types of non-listening
5.2 discuss the reasons for non-listening
5.3 outline and discuss the characteristics of informal listening
5.4 outline and discuss the pros/cons of listening
5.5 complete self-inventories that identify personal ineffective and effective listening behaviour, practice paraphrasing, content, feeling and meaning messages
6.0 **Intimacy and Distance in Relationships**
Upon successful completion of this unit, the student will be able to:
6.1 describe the Altman-Taylor model of social penetration
6.2 outline the variables affecting interpersonal attraction
6.3 outline the stages of interpersonal relations
6.4 define the term “self-disclosure”
6.5 outline and discuss the levels of self-disclosure
6.6 outline and discuss the guidelines for self-disclosure
6.7 discuss the alternatives to self-disclosure
6.8 complete self-inventories that identify their personal types of self-disclosure used, identify stages in their personal relationships and complete a diary of personal self-disclosures

7.0 **Improving Communication Climates**
Upon successful completion of this unit, the student will be able to:
7.1 outline and discuss how positive and negative communication climates are created
7.2 outline the relationship between self-concept as a defense reaction to communications
7.3 outline and discuss defense mechanisms
7.4 describe the Gibb’s defense and supportive behaviours that minimize responses to messages
7.5 complete self-inventories that identify their personal defense arousing and defense reducing behaviours and conduct a communication climate interview

8.0 **Managing Interpersonal Climate**
Upon successful completion of this unit, the student will be able to:
8.1 describe the processes to resolve interpersonal conflict
8.2 describe the five personal styles of conflict
8.3 describe the characteristics of conflict resolution
8.4 complete self-inventories that identify their own personal conflict styles, personal assertive statements, and apply one type of conflict resolution to a personal conflict
TESTING POLICY

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Effective November 1, 1993

All students are responsible for completing assigned tests on the date scheduled either on course outline or through notification by course Professor.

Should a student be unable to write a test on the date assigned, the following procedure must be followed:

1. Student must provide the Professor with advanced notice, in writing, of need to miss a test.

2. Student will require documentation to support the excused absence, ie:
   - Doctor's note
   - Notice of meeting

   Copies of all documentation will be kept on file

3. All decisions regarding rescheduling of tests are at the discretion of the Professor.

4. Student is responsible to make arrangements, immediately upon their return to the College, with course Professor for make-up of missed test prior to next scheduled class for the course in question.

5. In the event of an emergency, on the day of the test, students will require documentation to support absence, and must call in to identify absence.

   The College now has a 24-hour Electronic Voice Mail System. 759-2554.

Failure to comply with this policy will result in a zero grade being recorded for the missed test.

Sault College 24-Hour Phone Number: 759-2554

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