

I. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course will review research in the origin and appearance of addiction of various kinds. The course will introduce the CICE student to the impact of addiction to drugs, alcohol and lifestyle, including gambling. Studies will include the effects and cost of addictive behavior on the individual, the family, the workplace, and society generally. Current research related to prevention and treatment will be introduced.

II. LEARNING OUTCOMES AND ELEMENTS OF THE PERFORMANCE:

Upon successful completion of this course, the CICE student, along with the assistance of a Learning Specialist, will demonstrate the basic ability to:

1. Develop an understanding of addictions as an individual and social problem.**Elements of the performance:**

- Name and describe addictions to various substances and behaviours
- Describe the “addictive personality”
- Compare theories of addictions
- Identify the impact of addictions on the individual, the family, the workplace, and society generally

2. Describe effective intervention strategies which meet the needs and goals of children, youth, families, and relevant others.**Elements of the performance:**

- Name various intervention strategies
- Describe a format for intervention

3. Identify and use professional development resources and activities to promote professional growth.**Elements of the performance:**

- Demonstrate awareness of relevant professional literature
- Demonstrate awareness of relevant research sources on the Internet
- Demonstrate awareness of community agencies mandated to respond to addictions

4. Communicate effectively in oral, written and nonverbal forms to enhance the quality of services.**Elements of the performance:**

- Submit reports in clearly written and/or type format
- Demonstrate use of APA reporting style/format

III. TOPICS:

1. Alcohol
2. Barbiturates/Benzodiazepines
3. Stimulants/Opiates
4. Antipsychotic Drugs/Antidepressants/Mood Stabilizers
5. Cannabis/Hallucinogens
6. Tolerance/Dissociation
7. Dependence/Addiction/Addictive Personality
8. Effects of Genetics/Family/Society
9. Gambling Addiction
10. Theories of Addictions
11. Special Populations
12. Effective Prevention Strategies
13. Effective Assessment Strategies
14. Effective Intervention Strategies

IV. REQUIRED RESOURCES / TEXTS / MATERIALS:

Provided by the College:
 Relevant handouts, films and videos

Provided by the Student:
 Text: Levinthal, Charles, F. (1999). Drugs, Behaviour and Modern Society. (4th ed.). Toronto: Allyn & Bacon.

V. EVALUATION PROCESS / GRADING SYSTEM:

A final grade will be derived from the following:

1. Research Paper #1	15%
2. Oral Presentation of Research Paper #1 OR 2 nd Research Paper	15%
3. Participation	15%
4. Test #1	20%
5. Test #2	15%
6. Test #3	20%
Total	100%

Research Papers (2 due):

Each paper will involve at least (4) professional articles of information from sources such as vertical files, professional journals, reputable articles from the internet, books, etc. on issues related to addictions. Articles must be current (no earlier than 1998). The papers should be written APA style and proper spelling and grammar are required. The papers should be typed and approximately 3 pages in length (double spacing). Proper format will be discussed in class with examples. Topics for presentation will need to be approved.

All papers are due on dates that will be established. Lates will be docked 5 marks per day late. (unless substantiated emergency).

Any emergencies in handing in assignments, performing orals, or writing tests on due dates must be discussed in person or notification with the instructor by voice mail. Failure to notify the instructor on or before the date will result in zero grade for tests or orals.

Students are required to keep a copy of all assignments submitted to the instructor.

Oral Presentation:

Students are required to report the findings of one of their research papers. Students are encouraged to use handouts, activities, overheads, blackboards, or discussion with the class during their presentation. Presentations should be 10 minutes in length if presented by one or 2 persons. For 3 or 4 persons 15 – 20 minutes.

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT (GRADING METHOD)

The following semester grades will be assigned to students in post-secondary courses:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Definition</u>	<u>Grade Point Equivalent</u>
A+	90 – 100%	4.00
A	80 – 89%	3.00
B	70 - 79%	2.00
C	60 - 69%	1.00
D	50 – 59%	0.00
F (Fail)	49% and below	
CR (Credit)	Credit for diploma requirements has been awarded.	
S	Satisfactory achievement in field /clinical placement or non-graded subject area.	
U	Unsatisfactory achievement in field/clinical placement or non-graded subject area.	

X	A temporary grade limited to situations with extenuating circumstances giving a student additional time to complete the requirements for a course.
NR	Grade not reported to Registrar's office.
W	Student has withdrawn from the course without academic penalty.

Note: For such reasons as program certification or program articulation, certain courses require minimums of greater than 50% and/or have mandatory components to achieve a passing grade.

It is also important to note, that the minimum overall GPA required in order to graduate from a Sault College program remains 2.0.

VI. SPECIAL NOTES:

Disability Services:

If you are a student with special needs (e.g. physical limitations, visual impairments, hearing impairments, or learning disabilities), you are encouraged to discuss required accommodations with your instructor and/or the Disability Services office, Room E1101, ext. 2703 so the 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 postsecondary institutions.

Plagiarism:

Students should refer to the definition of “academic dishonesty” in the *Student Code of Conduct*. Students who engage in “academic dishonesty” will receive an automatic failure for that submission and/or such other penalty, up to and including expulsion from the course/program, as may be decided by the professor/dean. In order to protect students from inadvertent plagiarism, to protect the copyright of the material referenced, and to credit the author of the material, it is the policy of the department to employ a documentation format for referencing source material.

Course outline amendments:

The Professor reserves the right to change the information contained in this course outline depending on the needs of the learner and the availability of resources.

Substitute course information is available in the Registrar's office.

VII. PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT:

Students who wish to apply for advance credit transfer (advanced standing) should obtain an Application for Advance Credit from the program coordinator (or the course coordinator regarding a general education transfer request) or academic assistant. Students will be required to provide an unofficial transcript and course outline related to the course in question.

CICE Modifications:**Preparation and Participation**

1. A Learning Specialist will attend class with the student(s) to assist with inclusion in the class and to take notes.
2. Students will receive support in and outside of the classroom (i.e. tutoring, assistance with homework and assignments, preparation for exams, tests and quizzes.)
3. Study notes will be geared to test content and style which will match with modified learning outcomes.
4. Although the Learning Specialist may not attend all classes with the student(s), support will always be available. When the Learning Specialist does attend classes he/she will remain as inconspicuous as possible.

A. Tests may be modified in the following ways:

1. Tests, which require essay answers, may be modified to short answers.
2. Short answer questions may be changed to multiple choice or the question may be simplified so the answer will reflect a basic understanding.
3. Tests, which use fill in the blank format, may be modified to include a few choices for each question, or a list of choices for all questions. This will allow the student to match or use visual clues.
4. Tests in the T/F or multiple choice format may be modified by rewording or clarifying statements into layman's or simplified terms. Multiple choice questions may have a reduced number of choices.

B. Tests will be written in CICE office with assistance from a Learning Specialist.***The Learning Specialist may:***

1. Read the test question to the student.
2. Paraphrase the test question without revealing any key words or definitions.
3. Transcribe the student's verbal answer.
4. Test length may be reduced and time allowed to complete test may be increased.

C. Assignments may be modified in the following ways:

1. Assignments may be modified by reducing the amount of information required while maintaining general concepts.
2. Some assignments may be eliminated depending on the number of assignments required in the particular course.

The Learning Specialist may:

1. Use a question/answer format instead of essay/research format
2. Propose a reduction in the number of references required for an assignment
3. Assist with groups to ensure that student comprehends his/her role within the group
4. Require an extension on due dates due to the fact that some students may require additional time to process information
5. Formally summarize articles and assigned readings to isolate main points for the student
6. Use questioning techniques and paraphrasing to assist in student comprehension of an assignment

D. Evaluation:

Is reflective of modified learning outcomes.