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COURSE OUTLINE

COURSE TITLE: Child Care Methods III
CODE NO. : CYW301-3 **SEMESTER:** 5
PROGRAM: Child and Youth Worker
FACULTY Donna Mansfield, CCW, CYC (Cert), BSW, RSW
DATE: Sept/2009 **PREVIOUS OUTLINE DATED:** Sept/2008
APPROVED: “Angelique Lemay”

CHAIR

DATE

TOTAL CREDITS: 3
PREREQUISITE(S): CYW201
HOURS/WEEK: 3 hrs/15 weeks

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I. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course will build upon the students' knowledge of theory and technique in Child and Youth Work. A variety of therapeutic approaches and philosophies will be studied with an emphasis upon understanding the processes involved and applications to situations drawn from practical and clinical experiences. Techniques affecting treatment and counselling applications will be identified with the major focus being an empathic perspective of the youth, the family, community and societal implications. As a professional agent of change, the Child and Youth Worker must be able to demonstrate his/her knowledge and understanding of youth within the context of development: physical, psychological, familial and social.

Students are expected to consistently apply the skills previously studied, as befits the "senior-level" nature of this course.

II. LEARNING OUTCOMES AND ELEMENTS OF THE PERFORMANCE:

Upon successful completion of this course the student will demonstrate the ability to:

1. Foster and utilize therapeutic environments which respect culture and which promote overall well-being and facilitate positive change for children, youths, and their families.

Potential Elements of the Performance:

- identify established counselling processes as they relate to children/youth/families
- demonstrate respect and genuineness in the simulated sessions

2. Design and implement strategies, which promote the overall well-being of the client and facilitate positive change for children, youths, and their families.

Potential Elements of the Performance:

- classify various counselling theories and techniques using procedures and terminology appropriate to the role of the professional child and youth worker
- demonstrate methods and techniques drawn from a variety of counselling theories
- select techniques and strategies appropriate to the needs of the client and/or family

3. Communicate effectively in oral, written and nonverbal forms to enhance the quality of service

Potential Elements of the Performance:

- compare and contrast the various counselling theories and techniques for the purpose of selecting appropriate counselling strategies for particular clients and client groups
- articulate the principles of various counselling theories and techniques as they apply to children and youth

III. TOPICS:

1. The Counselling Process & The World of the Child
2. Counselling Theories may include (but not limited to) the following: Reality Therapy, Brief Counselling (Solution Focused), Gestalt, RET and Cognitive-Behavioural, Behavioural, Psychodynamic, Individual Psychology, Play Therapy, and “specialized” applications.
3. Application of these models to the following: individuals, families, and groups of children and/or youth, children or families with special concerns or exceptionalities.
4. Introduction and overview of Web-based or Cyber Counselling and it’s application to our role as Child and Youth Workers.
5. Legal and Ethical Considerations for Counsellors.

IV. REQUIRED RESOURCES/TEXTS/MATERIALS:

Text: Thompson, C., and Rudolph, L. (2007). Counseling Children, seventh edition, Pacific Grove, California: Brooks-Cole.

V. EVALUATION PROCESS/GRADING SYSTEM:

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| 1. Group Presentation re: Application and demonstration of counselling technique as it relates to a particular theoretical perspective | 20% |
| 2. Treatment Plan | 20% |
| 3. Mid-Term Examination | 20% |
| 4. Final Examination | 20% |
| 5. Attendance/participation | 20% |

NOTE: Tests and group presentations need to be done on the assigned day. If a student misses a presentation date, there may be no opportunity to present on an alternate date. Students are expected to communicate with their professor in a professional manner regarding any difficulties that may arise in this regard.

Tests may be **ONLY** be rescheduled with instructor’s permission **PRIOR** to the date of the test. If you arrive late for a test, you may enter the classroom and begin to write the test, provided no one has left the classroom.

Group Presentation:

1. Group Presentation: Each group of students will choose from the assigned range of counselling theories and complete the following tasks:
 - 1) *Choose* one or two applications or techniques relating to the theory assigned. Time allotted for the demonstration is **30 – 40** minutes. Explain the techniques and their most relevant applications to individuals, groups, families, special circumstances etc.
 - 2) *Demonstrate* one or two particular applications or techniques to the class, and lead a practice exercise. The purpose of this experiential learning segment is twofold: the student audience will have an opportunity to gain personal experience in the application of various techniques, and the presenters will have an opportunity to practice their therapeutic and leadership skills. Involvement of all group members is expected.
 - 3) The student group will then lead a *debriefing*, respond to questions and have prepared at least three questions to stimulate discussion, if necessary. (15 to 20 minutes).
 - 4) Students will submit a brief *write-up* (see Student Package for format and details related to what needs to be included). The written component will include a description of your presentation, its therapeutic value as well as three references to support your theoretical application.. This write-up must be submitted on the date of the presentation. Groups and dates will be assigned in class.

NOTE: Student Packages will be distributed in class and will include specific details and grading criteria for this assignment.

2. A treatment plan will be submitted by each student - using a real or simulated case. This plan will incorporate a thorough assessment, problem statement(s), goal statement(s), and appropriate interventions identified. Barriers to treatment need to be stated with strategies presented to overcome these barriers. **The interventions or methodologies need to be based on the theoretical models studied and rationale for each intervention clearly stated.** Treatment plan should be typed and submitted three weeks before the final class. Date to be announced in class. (See Student Package for outline and grading criteria.)
3. There will be a mid-term and a final examination of text material. Dates to be announced in class.

NOTE: Tests will be written as scheduled – time (allotted in class) and date. If a student arrives late for a test, they may enter the testing room, provided no student has left the room after completion of the test. It is the student’s responsibility to be punctual. There will be no opportunity to write missed tests.

4. Attendance and supportive involvement are professional expectations.
5. As per Sault College Student Code of Conduct, section 31, use of electronic devices is limited. It is the responsibility of the student to comply with this policy.

COLLEGE GRADING POLICY

The following semester grades will be assigned to students:

Grade	Definition	Grade Point Equivalent
A+	90 – 100%	4.00
A	80 – 89%	3.00
B	70 - 79%	3.00
C	60 - 69%	2.00
D	50 – 59%	1.00
F (Fail)	49% and below	0.00
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. <i>(See Policies & Procedures Manual – Deferred Grades and Make-up). (See also CYW Policies re: X grade documentation.)</i>	
NR	Grade not reported to Registrar's office.	
W	Student has withdrawn from the course without academic penalty.	

VI. SPECIAL NOTES:

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.

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.

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. Please refer to the Student Academic Calendar of Events for the deadline date by which application must be made for advance standing.

Credit for prior learning will also be given upon successful completion of a challenge exam or portfolio.

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

Disability Services:

If you are a student with a disability (e.g. physical limitations, visual impairments, hearing impairments, or learning disabilities), you are encouraged to discuss required accommodations with your professor and/or the Disability Services office. Visit Room E1101 or call Extension 2703 so that support services can be arranged for you.

Communication:

The College considers *WebCT/LMS* as the primary channel of communication for each course. Regularly checking this software platform is critical as it will keep you directly connected with faculty and current course information. Success in this course may be directly related to your willingness to take advantage of the *Learning Management System* communication tool.

Plagiarism:

Students should refer to the definition of “academic dishonesty” in *Student Code of Conduct*. A professor/instructor may assign a sanction as defined below, or make recommendations to the Academic Chair for disposition of the matter. The professor/instructor may:

- (i) issue a verbal reprimand,
- (ii) make an assignment of a lower grade with explanation,
- (iii) require additional academic assignments and issue a lower grade upon completion to the maximum grade “C”,
- (iv) make an automatic assignment of a failing grade,
- (v) recommend to the Chair dismissal from the course with the assignment of a failing grade.

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.

Student Portal:

The Sault College portal allows you to view all your student information in one place. **mysaultcollege** gives you personalized access to online resources seven days a week from your home or school computer. Single log-in access allows you to see your personal and financial information, timetable, grades, records of achievement, unofficial transcript, and outstanding obligations, in addition to announcements, news, academic calendar of events, class cancellations, your learning management system (LMS), and much more. Go to <https://my.saultcollege.ca>.

Electronic Devices in the Classroom:

Students who wish to use electronic devices in the classroom will seek permission of the faculty member before proceeding to record instruction. With the exception of issues related to accommodations of disability, the decision to approve or refuse the request is the responsibility of the faculty member. Recorded classroom instruction will be used only for personal use and will not be used for any other purpose. Recorded classroom instruction will be destroyed at the end of the course. To ensure this, the student is required to return all copies of recorded material to the faculty member by the last day of class in the semester. Where the use of an electronic device has been approved, the student agrees that materials recorded are for his/her use only, are not for distribution, and are the sole property of the College.

Attendance:

Sault College is committed to student success. There is a direct correlation between academic performance and class attendance; therefore, for the benefit of all its constituents, all students are encouraged to attend all of their scheduled learning and evaluation sessions. This implies arriving on time and remaining for the duration of the scheduled session.

Students may not be allowed to enter the classroom once the class has begun depending on the focus of that session. Students may be asked to wait until the break to enter the classroom however the final decision rests with the instructor.