#### **COUN 92 Course Outline as of Fall 2020**

### **CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: COUN 92 Title: INTRO GROUP COUNSELING

Full Title: Introduction to Group Counseling

Last Reviewed: 3/25/2019

Units		Course Hours per Week	•	Nbr of Weeks	<b>Course Hours Total</b>	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	3.00	Lab Scheduled	0	6	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	3.00		Contact Total	52.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 105.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 157.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade Only

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

#### **Catalog Description:**

An introduction to the dynamics of group interaction with emphasis upon the individual's firsthand experience as a group leader and member. The factors involved in problems of communication, effective emotional responses and personal growth will be highlighted. Emphasis will be placed on group process as a means of changing behavior. This course is designed to help students who will function as leaders in a variety of small group situations.

## **Prerequisites/Corequisites:**

## **Recommended Preparation:**

Eligibility for ENGL 1A or equivalent or appropriate placement based on AB705 mandates; and Course Completion of COUN 90 and Course Completion of AODS 90

#### **Limits on Enrollment:**

#### **Schedule of Classes Information:**

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Limits on Enrollment: Transfer Credit: CSU;

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## **ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:**

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

**IGETC:** Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

**CSU Transfer:** Transferable Effective: Spring 2006 Inactive:

**UC Transfer:** Effective: Inactive:

CID:

## **Certificate/Major Applicable:**

Both Certificate and Major Applicable

## **COURSE CONTENT**

### **Student Learning Outcomes:**

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Construct and facilitate a group counseling exercise.
- 2. Examine and demonstrate the necessary characteristics of an effective group facilitator.
- 3. Interpret and explain the types of clients in a group.

### **Objectives:**

Students will be able to:

- 1. Identify and describe the various stages of group development.
- 2. Compare and contrast the various strategies for addressing issues within a group.
- 3. Identify and analyze the various models of group leadership.
- 4. Determine appropriateness of experiential exercises in groups.
- 5. Identify and analyze the different types of people a group leader will encounter.
- 6. Evaluate and describe the unique characteristics of specialized groups.
- 7. Define and discuss ethical and professional behavior of group leaders.
- 8. Compare and demonstrate group counseling techniques.

#### **Topics and Scope:**

## I. Introduction to Major Components of Group

- A. Member roles
- B. Leader intervention
- C. Group developmental stages
- D. Group structure
- E. Group setting
- F. Group models
- G. Theoretical approaches

#### II. Models of Group Leadership

- A. Psychoeducational group
- B. Support group
- C. Skills development group

#### III. Ethical and Professional Considerations

#### IV. Skills for Group Leaders

- A. Reframing
- B. Rephrasing
- C. Reflecting
- D. Blocking
- E. Summarizing
- F. Cueing and linking

#### V. Use of Exercises in Groups

- A. Breathing exercise
- B. Introduction exercise

# VI. Transition Stages of the Group

- A. Beginning
- B. Middle
- C. Ending

## VII. Dealing with Group Difficulties

- A. Emotional contagion
- B. Group manipulation
- C. Resistant member
- D. Silent member
- E. Group confrontation

# VIII. Closing or Ending a Group

- A. Time management
- B. Final check in
- C. Summary

# **Assignment:**

- 1. Read assigned textbook and supplemental reading material of approximately 25-35 pages per week
- 2. Write 1-3 page reflection paper on being a member and observer of a simulated group counseling
- 3. Write a specific population research paper and determine appropriate group counseling

- approaches
- 4. Facilitate simulated group counseling and write self-evaluation paper about leading group counseling
- 5. Chapter quizzes (0-5), midterm exam (1-2), and final

#### Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

**Writing:** Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Reflection paper, research paper, self-evaluation

Writing 40 - 70%

**Problem Solving:** Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

None

Problem solving 0 - 0%

**Skill Demonstrations:** All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Facilitate simulated group counseling session

Skill Demonstrations 5 - 35%

**Exams:** All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Quizzes (0-5), midterm exam(s), and final

Exams 5 - 10%

**Other:** Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Attendance and participation

Other Category 10 - 25%

## **Representative Textbooks and Materials:**

Substance Abuse Treatment: Group Therapy: A Treatment Improvement Protocol TIP 41; Georgi, Jeffrey M. and Flores, Philip J. US Department of Health and Human Services Center for Substance Abuse Treatment. 2014 (classic)

Groups-Process and Practice. 10th ed. Schneider Corey, Marianne and Corey, Gerald and Corey, Cindy. Brooks/Cole Cengage Learning Publications. 2018

Instructor prepared materials.