Applications of Clinical Psychology

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Office Hours: Virtual Office Hours

Class Information: Online | Spring 2019
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Catalog Description:
This course provides an exploration of the nature and application of psychopathology, or mental illness, across a variety of clinical and non-clinical settings. Current conceptualization of psychopathology as well as theory and research on best practices in working with a variety of psychological disorders will be examined. Applications in education and social service fields, as well as private settings involving caretakers and parents will also be addressed.

Student Learning Outcomes:
The course will include weekly written assignments over material from articles and videos which will be included with assignments. Two written papers/projects will be due over the course of the semester. Self-motivation and self-initiation are required for successful online learning. Please pay close attention to the assignment due dates, which are found in the course calendar.

Course Objectives:
- Developing specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals in the field most closely related to this course.
- Learning to apply course material to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions.
- Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view.
- Developing skill in expressing myself orally or in writing.

Course Delivery
This is an online course. We will not be meeting in person at any point during the semester. You can access the course through: http://blackboard.angelo.edu. You will have activities due weekly (on a tiered basis), with two major assignments. You are also expected to be kind in this course and adhere to appropriate “netiquette” standards. If you are unfamiliar with what those are, please take a moment to read this: http://www.rasmussen.edu/student-life/blogs/college-life/netiquette-guidelines-every-online-student-needs-to-know/

Browser Compatibility Check
It is the student’s responsibility to ensure that the browser used to access course material on his/her computer is compatible with ASU’s Blackboard Learning System. The faculty reserve the right to deny additional access to course assignments lost due to compatibility issues. Students are responsible for reviewing the guidelines posted in this course regarding accessing Blackboard assignments. Problems in this area need to be discussed with faculty at the time of occurrence, either via a phone call (preferred) during posted acceptable hours for calling, or via email notification during times outside those posted for calls.

Be sure to perform a browser test. Select the “Support” tab from the Blackboard homepage. Select the “Test your Browser” option.

Other Required Materials
To participate in one of ASU’s distance education programs, you need this technology:

- A computer capable of running Windows 7 or later, or Mac OSX 10.8 or later
- The latest version of one of these web browsers: Internet Explorer, Firefox, or Safari
- Adobe Acrobat Reader
- High Speed Internet Access

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- Ethernet adapter cable required (wireless connections can drop during tests)
- Webcam

**Communicating with the Professor:**
This is an online course, with online delivery. Your materials will be found on Blackboard. *The best way to get a hold of the professor will be through email, which she will regularly have access to and check between 9AM and 5PM M-F during the course.* You should hear back from me within 24 hours at the latest, unless you have emailed on a Friday night.

**Required Texts:**
There are no books required; all materials needed for the course will be found on Blackboard.

**Course Evaluation:**
Explanations and descriptions of these assignments will be found in the course schedule folder on Blackboard.

- **Introductions:** 50 pts
- **Discussion Board:** 720 pts -- 12 at 60 pts/wk
  - First Comment: 40 pts
  - Two Responses: 20 pts
- **Individual Project:** 100 pts
- **Group Project:** 130 pts
  - Peer Review: 30 pts
  - Project: 100 pts

*Grades in this class will be based on the following scale:*

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**Late Assignment Reduction Schedule:**
1 week late = 10% penalty after assignment is graded
2 weeks late = 25% penalty after assignment is graded
3 weeks late = 50% penalty after assignment is graded
4 weeks late = unacceptable. Grade = 0.

**SYLLABUS DISCLAIMER**
This syllabus constitutes an agreement between the student and the instructor. Your continued enrollment in this course constitutes your agreement to abide by the terms of this syllabus. If changes must be made to the schedule or to any other aspect of the syllabus, all students will be notified in class and in writing as soon as possible. Any changes made to the course policies or the schedule/calendar will apply to all students.

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Disability Services
ASU is committed to the principle that no qualified individual with a disability shall, on the basis of
disability, be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of the services, programs or
activities of the university, or be subjected to discrimination by the university, as provided by the
Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments of
2008 (ADAAA), and subsequent legislation.
The Office of Student Affairs is the designated campus department charged with the responsibility of
reviewing and authorizing requests for reasonable accommodations based on a disability, and it is the
student’s responsibility to initiate such a request by contacting: Ms. Dallas A. Swafford
dallas.swafford@angelo.edu

Title IX
Angelo State University is committed to the safety and security of all students. If you or someone you
know experience sexual harassment, sexual assault, domestic or dating violence, stalking, or
discrimination, you may contact ASU’s Title IX Coordinator: Michelle Nicole Boone
michelle.boone@angelo.edu

Student Absence for Observance of Religious Holy Days
A student who intends to observe a religious holy day should make that intention known in writing to
the instructor prior to the absence. See ASU Operating Policy 10.19 Student Absence for Observe the
Religious Holy Day for more information.

Incomplete Grade Policy
It is policy that incomplete grades be reserved for student illness or personal misfortune. Please contact
faculty if you have serious illness or a personal misfortune that would keep you from completing course
work. Documentation may be required. See ASU Operating Policy 10.11 Grading Procedures for more
information.

Conduct Policies
Academic Integrity
Students are expected to maintain complete honesty and integrity in all work. Any student found guilty
of any form of dishonesty in academic work is subject of disciplinary action and possible expulsion from
ASU.
The Department of Psychology, Sociology, and Social Work adheres to the academic honesty statement
as set forth in the Angelo State University Student Handbook (2011-2012)
http://www.angelo.edu/content/files/17358-university-honor-code

Plagiarism
Plagiarism is a serious topic covered in ASU’s Academic Integrity policy in the Student Handbook.
Plagiarism is the action or practice of taking someone else’s work, idea, etc., and passing it off as one’s
own. Plagiarism is literary theft.

In your discussions and/or your papers, it is unacceptable to copy word-for-word without quotation
marks and the source of the quotation. It is expected that you will summarize or paraphrase ideas giving
appropriate credit to the source both in the body of your paper and the reference list. Papers are subject
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