

### Course Profile - Department of Psychology

Course Number: <b>PSY 354</b>	Course Title: Observation And Interview Techniques
Required / Elective: Required	Pre / Co-requisites: -
Catalog Description:  This course is an introduction to the theoretical and applied components of conducting clinical interviews.	Textbook / Required Material:  Sommers-Flanagan, J. & Sommers-Flanagan, R. (2009). <i>Clinical Interviewing, Fourth Edition</i> . John Wiley & Sons, Inc.: New Jersey.
Course Structure / Schedule: ( 3+0+0) 3 / 5 ECTS	
Extended Description:  The main topics to be addressed in this course will include basic interview skills, components of interview process, mental status examination and principles for interviewing clients of all ages. The course will also allow students to engage in clinical interview techniques through role-plays.	
Design content: None	Computer usage: Not required
Course Outcomes:  1. To develop understanding and knowledge of the process of clinical interviewing 2. To learn, develop, refine interpersonal skills basic to performing a clinical interview 3. To develop clinical interviewing techniques and strategies 4. To develop awareness of multicultural issues involved in conducting a clinical interview 5. To develop an understanding of the function of clinical interviewing in the diagnostic process	
Teaching methods: Lecture, class discussion, role-plays	
Course Outline	
Week	Topics
1	Introduction & Course Overview
2	Foundations and Preparations
3	Basic Attending, Listening, and Action Skills
4	Directives: Questions and Action Skills
5	Theoretically-Supported and Evidence-Based Relationships in Clinical Interviewing
6	An Overview of Interview Process
7	<b>MIDTERM EXAM</b>
8	The Mental Status Examination

9	Suicide Assessment	
10	Diagnosis and Treatment Planning	
11	Challenging Clients and Demanding Situations	
12	Interviewing Young Clients	
13	Principles and Tips for Interviewing Couples and Families	
14	Interviewing in a Diverse and Multicultural World	
15	<b>FINAL EXAM</b>	

Assessment methods:

Midterm Exam: 35 %

Final Exam: 45 %

Role-plays: 10 %

Class Participation 5 %

Attendance 5 %

Contribution of Course Learning Outcomes to Program Outcomes

	Program Outcomes	*Level of Contribution				
		1	2	3	4	5
1	Examine different concepts in the sub-areas of psychology.					
2	Describe and explain the differences between common sense, religion, art, philosophy and science					
3	Learn about the major schools in psychology's history and the current developments					
4	Apply analytical and critical thinking skills to selected topics					
5	Discuss and criticize ethical issues in psychology research				x	
6	Describe the procedures and principles of psychological measurement and interview techniques					
7	Apply the principles and skills of positivistic methodology within a simple empirical study					x
8	Design and implement a simple action research and an empowerment program					
9	Analyze the coded data by statistical techniques					
10	Use communication skills in class presentations					x
11	Function effectively in multidisciplinary research teams					

12	Develop respect to interpersonal and cultural diversity				x	
13	Develop self awareness					x

Student workload:

Reading	56 hrs
Lectures	33 hrs
Class discussion	5 hrs
Written assignments	25 hrs
Examinations	6 hrs

**TOTAL ..... 125 hrs (25x5) 5 ECTS**

Course Category:

ISCED General Area Codes	General Ares	ISCED Basic Area Codes	Basic Educational Areas	Percentage
1	Education	14	Teacher Training and Educational Sciences	
2	Humanities and Art	21	Art	
2	Humanities and Art	22	Humanities	
3	Social Sciences, Management and Law	31	Social and Behavioral Sciences	90
3	Social Sciences, Management and Law	32	Journalism and Informatics	
3	Social Sciences, Management and Law	38	Law	
4	Science	42	Life Sciences	
4	Science	44	Natural Sciences	
4	Science	46	Mathematics and Statistics	
4	Science	48	Computer	
5	Engineering, Manufacturing and Civil	52	Engineering	
5	Engineering, Manufacturing and Civil	54	Manufacturing and Processing	
5	Engineering,	58	Architecture and	

	Manufacturing and Civil		Structure	
6	Agriculture	62	Agriculture, Forestry, Livestock, Fishery	
6	Agriculture	64	Veterinary	
7	Medicine and Welfare	72	Medical	10
7	Medicine and Welfare	76	Social Services	
8	Service	81	Personal Services	
8	Service	84	Transport Services	
8	Service	85	Environment Protection	
8	Service	86	Security Services	
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