**DEPARTMENT: SOCIAL WORK**

**COLLEGE: COLLEGE FOR DESIGN AND SOCIAL INQUIRY**

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6. **CHANGE DESCRIPTION TO:**

   *This course will focus on the mental health issues with children, adolescents, adults, elders and families. The course is built on the identification, analysis, and implementation of empirically-based assessment tools that have incorporated statistically valid reliability and validity studies. Major classification systems, such as Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders and other schemes for assessing and understanding human behavior will be covered.*

   *Please list both existing and new pre/corequisites, specify AND or OR, and include minimum passing grade.

**Attach syllabus for ANY changes to current course information:**

Should the requested change(s) cause this course to overlap any other FAU courses, please list them here.

N/A

Please consult and list departments that might be affected by the change(s) and attach comments.

N/A

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2. **Definition of a Credit Hour**

   www.fau.edu/Provost/files/Definition_Credit_Hour_Memo_2012.pdf

3. **Consent from affected departments (attach if necessary)**

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MSW Program Mission
We are committed to maximizing human potential, alleviating human suffering, enhancing the vitality and caring capacity of communities, and promoting the ideals of a humane and just society. We educate competent and compassionate social workers as practitioners and leaders for the 21st Century. Our graduates possess critical thinking skills and engage in evidence-based practice, with a deep respect for human diversity and strengths.

COURSE DESCRIPTION
This is the last of the three required courses in the human behavior sequence. The first two courses taught the student about (functional) normative development and human behavior within the context of the social environment. They focused on the biological, psychological, social, cultural and spiritual aspects of development. They took into account the differences encountered because of race, gender and ethnicity. This course focuses on the dysfunctional (abnormal) aspects of human behavior and personality. In this course students are taught to recognize and classify mental disorders most frequently encountered by social workers in their practices.

An important aspect of this course for social work students is to be competent and knowledgeable of biological, cultural, and psychosocial aspects of emotional disorders and mental illness. These factors affect both the diagnosis and treatment of clients. Special attention is given to problems in classification and treatment of the mentally ill
because of lack of recognition of the impact of culture, race, gender and sexual preference upon human behavior and emotions.

Students are taught descriptive and development approaches to the diagnosis and treatment of mental disorders. An effort is made to integrate different viewpoints about the diagnosis, classification, treatment of mental illness, and emotional disorders.

Students are expected to learn the standard classification systems, and to be able to ask appropriate questions for a mental status examination. They also have an opportunity in class to analyze its validity and implications for social work.

**RELEVANCE TO THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM**

Knowledge of psychopathology is essential for any clinical area of social work practice and a requirement for licensure. Psychopathology is clearly related to student’s field experiences. In order to help someone with his/her problems, one must be knowledgeable about what causes the problems. One of the causes of dysfunctional behavior is the existence of emotional and mental disorders in either the individual and/or the other people with whom he/she interacts. Social workers must be able to identify whether psychopathology exists and assess its impact on the person and family.

In community mental health centers, family agencies, and many other settings, social workers are frequently the first people to interview the client. A thorough knowledge of psychopathology is required in order to understand and treat what may be central to the client’s dysfunction.

SOW 6125 is also related to the concentration year methods sequence. Concentration year practice courses include several practice models, some of which explain psychopathology differently. However, they all presuppose knowledge of emotional disorders, mental illness, and their consequences for clients as a result of these problems. The material in the psychopathology course is an important frame of reference for working with clients who are addressed in the practice sequence.

Students also need to understand how knowledge of psychopathology shapes services to clients. This relates SOW 6125 to social policy content.

Finally, the DSM IV-TR, the classification manual, is based upon empirical data, as are the findings about the biological and cultural impact of mental illness on those afflicted. Research studies in psychiatry frequently don’t agree. The ability to critically read and interpret such studies is derived from the student’s experiences in his/her research classes.

The School of Social Work has been continuously accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) since 1952. In order to maintain our accreditation status, we engage in ongoing curriculum assessment to demonstrate compliance with CSWE’s Education Policies and Accreditation Standards (EPAS). Several required courses in our curriculum are part of this ongoing assessment, including this course. Below is a list of the specific Educational Policies (EP) and Practice Behaviors (PB) that are assessed in this course. The complete EPAS can be optioned from your Student Handbook.
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES - Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

Competency 3
EP 2.1.3: Apply critical thinking to inform and communicate professional judgments.
PB 3a: distinguish, appraise, and integrate multiple sources of knowledge, including research-based knowledge, and practice wisdom
Assignments: Exams 1 and 2, Critical analysis paper
PB 3b: critically analyze models of assessment, prevention, intervention, and evaluation
Assignments: Critical analysis paper, Oral Presentation, Exam

Competency 7
EP 2.1.7: Apply knowledge of human behavior and the social environment.
PB 7a: utilize conceptual frameworks to guide the processes of assessment, intervention, and evaluation
Assignments: Exams, Case assessments, presentation of case assessments

Competency 9
EP 2.1.9: Respond to contexts that shape practice.
PB 10e: (assessment): assess client strengths and limitations
Assignments: Case assessments, exams

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

The methods of instruction will be lectures, discussion, and inquiry simulations using a case study approach. Class discussion is encouraged as a way of stimulating an exchange of opinions and ideas.

COURSE ASSIGNMENTS and GRADING

The following course requirements will be completed during the semester, with a grade given for each assignment. Grading will be based on the final averages of cumulative grades across assignments and the student’s attendance and participation in the class.

Critical Analysis Paper/Presentation(PB3a, PB3b, PB7a) 20%
Class exercises/homework/role play – in class and on-line (e.g. Case Assessments from Workbook, Presentations of Case Assessments (PB7a, PB10e) 20%
Exam 1 (PB3a, PB3b, PB7a, PB10e) 30%
Exam 2 (PB3a, PB3b, PB7a, PB10e) 30%

This class involves discussion and your input and ideas are important. Students will be discussing diagnostic & etiological issues in class in simulated treatment teams. Brainstorming with peers/colleagues and seeking feedback on ideas is a major part of becoming a responsible social worker.
This course demands your active participation. In order to enhance feelings of safety and to create a positive learning environment the following must apply:

- The class will be conducted as a seminar with a combination of lecture, discussion, videos, exercises, group work with each other, and guest speakers.
- Know and interact with your classmates. They will be your learning partners and your peer support. This will create a mutual educational experience.
- You will be assigned a small group for in-depth case discussion and presentation
- Be prompt.
- Attend class, the whole class period.
- Read the assigned materials as they correspond with the class schedule.
- Do all your work.
- Raise your concerns and criticism with the instructor.
- Conduct yourself in a professional, productive, respectful, and non-violent manner.
- Classroom dynamics must be safe, appropriate, on the topic, and respectful of diversity of opinion and experience.
- Consistently insensitive or counterproductive classroom dynamics will not be tolerated. NASW Code of Ethics will be strictly enforced. Ethical violations (e.g., disrespect for colleagues) may result in failure of this course, particularly if the instructor or the field instructor has previously advised a student of the violation(s).

GROUP WORK: You will be working in teams of 2-3 people for the critical analysis paper/presentation and for the class exercises. Each team will turn in one version of each assignment and every team member will receive the same grade. This is purposeful on my part because social work “in the real world” is very often done in teams. This makes group dynamics, clear communication among group members, and competent completion of agreed upon responsibilities by each group member crucial. This will be no less true when you engage in social work “in the real world” as it is in this class. Please do not hesitate to let me know immediately if any problems emerge with regard to this aspect of the course so that I can address it in a timely and equitable manner.

I. Critical Analysis Paper/Presentation

Each group will select one diagnosis that is included in the DSMIV-TR and assigned class readings. You will complete a 3-4 page critical analysis of the diagnosis you have chosen, focusing your intervention on evidence-based treatment interventions. Your resources must consist of a minimum of 4 peer reviewed journal articles. Include in your critical analysis a thorough discussion of the strengths and limitations of the current research. (suggestions) - Discuss other possible interventions that could be beneficial for clients with this diagnosis – What are they, what are the main tenets and why do you think they would fit with your diagnosis? Does the intervention comprehensively address the complexity of the diagnosis? And if so, how? Are there interventions that you believe from, either research or practical clinical experience, do you think may work with this diagnosis? Based on your research, what are some of the implications of the research?
IMPORTANT: You must be sure to back up your analysis/arguments with PEER REVIEWED journals (i.e. scholarly journals).

The topic for your paper is due in writing at the beginning of class, September 19, 2012.

Helpful Notes and Resources for Writing your Critical Analysis Paper

NREPP: SAMHSA's National Registry of Evidence-based Interventions, Programs and Practices
This resource is a very helpful tool to aid in your understanding of what goes into the developing of Evidence-based treatment interventions.

http://www.nrepp.samhsa.gov/SubmissionCourse.aspx
http://www.dshs.wa.gov/dasa/services/research/CurrentEfforts/EBP.shtml

- **Research.** The practice has been studied in randomized clinical trials, quasi-experimental studies, or in some cases, a less rigorously controlled research design. Research results are published in peer reviewed journals.
- **Meaningful outcomes.** The practice has resulted in benefits to the individuals receiving the service. It has helped consumers achieve positive outcomes related to treatment goals and objectives.
- **Standardization.** The practice has been standardized so that it can be replicated. Preference is given to programs which have developed a manual or similar documentation.
- **Replication.** The intervention has been studied in more than one setting and findings have yielded consistent results.
- **Fidelity measure.** A fidelity measure either exists or could be developed from available information. Such measures allow practitioners to verify that an intervention is being implemented in a manner consistent with the protocol evaluated in the research.

II. Homework/Class Exercises/participation and attendance

A critical piece to this class is practicing your new assessment skills throughout the semester. Prepared vignettes taken from your Clinical Assessment Workbook (Pomeroy & Wambach, 2003) will allow you to immediately apply and practice your understanding of the DSM-IV-TR readings for that week. All homework assignments must be typed with the student’s name at the top. APA is not required. Homework activities will not be accepted after the due dates and times. NO EXCEPTIONS--not even for sickness, or injuries, not even for broken printers, computer problems, bad memories, etc. If you can’t make it to class, e-mail it to me BY THE BEGINNING OF YOUR SCHEDULED CLASS ON THE DUE DATE. For example, if your class begins at 1:00p.m., the activity is due no later than 1:00 p.m. on the due date—whether you are in class or not.
Case Assessments from Workbook/Video Clips/Class exercises

You will be responsible for reading and preparing Pomeroy and Wambach “weekly sets” for class, which will be used in the small clinical dialogue groups. At the discretion of the professor, weekly quizzes will be given to encourage students to keep up with assigned material. Cases from the Clinical Assessment Workbook and/or video clips will be assigned throughout the semester. Students will work together in groups during class to answer questions about cases. **Please bring in the assigned cases typed and on hard copy to be turned in (with the worksheet).**

Group work will be completed primarily in class in mock treatment teams. Each week one treatment team may lead a discussion/presentation on the assessment and diagnosis. You may wish to have each person in the group take responsibility for discussing an Axis. You may lead the discussion in whatever manner you, as a team, think will be most helpful in demonstrating your ability to think critically as well as engage the class in discussion. While this is a group activity, grades will be given individually for each student’s demonstration of professionalism, ability to articulate the diagnosis, and ability to engage classmates.

III. Exams

There will be two (2) exams given during the course of the semester (see course schedule for due dates). Each exam will be worth 100 points. Both exams may include multiple choice, short answer, & short essay questions. Make-up exams will not be given. The exams will be similar to the state licensing exam questions and will give the student an opportunity to practice the necessary state-taking skills needed to pass that exam.

**How to study for my tests:** Studying with other students can be very helpful. This course requires a lot of reading. I highly recommend banding together with other students and sharing the outlining of chapters. The chapter outlines and notes that you create are valuable when you have to study for the comprehensive and licensing exams down the road. My tests are characterized as comprehensive, but fair. Learn the material well! The outlines that I just mentioned are a great way to study for my tests. It is better to get that uncomfortable feeling when a peer asks a question you can’t answer than during the exam. The more ways your peers ask you questions, the more likely it is that you will come across an item that will be on the exam.

Extra Credit

**Psychosocial Assessment Papers on either of the Following Books:**
* *The Quiet Room*
* *Look Me in the Eye: My Life with Asperger’s*

Each student will complete a 5-8 page clinical assessment of the main character in one of these. Include a brief (1/2 -1 page) description/assessment of the family situation. Write a summary of how this individual and family affected you personally and in your role as a social worker (i.e. what were your initial reactions to this person’s disorder; what were your reactions to the family and/or
friends’ ability to handle this illness; what were the most difficult parts of the story for you to deal with emotionally; what kinds of questions did it create for you; how did you feel about this person and those impacting him/her at the conclusion of the story; as a social worker, did you feel there were other things that could’ve been done to assist this person and their family or friends). Due by Dec. 1.

****ACTIVITY ASSIGNMENTS MUST BE YOUR ORIGINAL WORK. YOU MAY STUDY WITH OTHER STUDENTS, BUT WHEN YOU PREPARE ASSIGNMENTS, THEY MUST BE YOUR IDEAS AND WORDS. ASSIGNMENTS THAT ARE IDENTICAL OR REMARKABLY SIMILAR WILL RESULT IN 0 POINTS FOR EACH STUDENT THE FIRST TIME. THE SECOND TIME, THIS BREACH OF ACADEMIC INTEGRITY WILL BE REPORTED TO THE VICE-PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS. *****

Outline of a typical class:
- review previous week highlights
- lecture on new chapter(s)
- case vignettes assigned
- group work on vignette assigned from previous weeks lecture (homework)
- presentation of group exercises

Late Assignments - Late assignments will not be accepted except in the case of emergencies, and then only with the permission of the professor. Students are expected to turn in all required assignments on the agreed upon due date at the beginning of class. Assignments turned in after class starts will be considered late.

Student Feedback - Student feedback is welcome. Students are also encouraged to provide feedback during office hours, by phone, by e-mail, and by appointment if they desire.

Final grades

If students are concerned about their class performance, the professor is more than willing to work with students to help them improve their course grade prior to the end of the semester. Final grades earned and assigned are not negotiable.

Grading: Grades will be based on the final grade breakdown. There will NOT BE A CLASS CURVE. This means that everyone can get an "A".

A total of 100 points may be earned for this course, with grading as follows:

- 93 - 100 = A
- 90 - 92 = A-
- 87 - 89 = B+
- 83 - 86 = B
- 80 - 82 = B-
- 77 - 79 = C+
- 73 - 76 = C
- 70 - 72 = C-
- 67 - 69 = D+
- 63 - 66 = D
- 60 - 62 = D-
- Below 60 = F
Students should note that a considerable portion of your grade may involve writing. An inability to present clear and concise work will have an impact on the grade you receive for the class. Cheating, plagiarism, and submitting the same assignment or essay for two or more courses (without the permission of the instructors involved) are classified as academic offenses and will be dealt with accordingly.

**Definition of Grades:**

A = significantly exceeds assignment/performance expectations (evidence of critical thinking, quality and quantity of research, and analysis that resulted in work additional to that set forth in the assignment directions);

B = Assignment/overall performance in course meets all the requirements with evidence of critical thinking, evidence of research effort, and analysis (i.e. coherence and integration of ideas);

C = Average. Assignment/performance meets all the requirements but lacks evidence of in depth thinking and analysis and lacks evidence of research from professional journals or recent or influential books;

D = There are important gaps in the assignment both in terms of requirements and critical thinking and analysis

**TWO REQUIRED TEXTS:**


Alternate Formats: Ebook and Echapter save you money if that format works for you..you can find info for these formats at the following website..be sure to click on the correct edition.

http://www.wadsworth.com/cgi-wadsworth/course_products_wp.pl?fid=M20b&flag=student&product_isbn_issn=9780495095569&discipline_number=10


SUGGESTED TEXT:


REFERENCE TEXTS


Other course readings may be distributed in class. Also, please visit the Blackboard Web site for this course at [http://blackboard.fau.edu](http://blackboard.fau.edu) for additional information. IMPORTANT:

Blackboard uses the email addresses assigned to you by FAU – if you do not pick up email from the FAU account; you need to forward your email to the email address that you generally use. Log onto MyFAU ([http://myfau.fau.edu](http://myfau.fau.edu)) and forward your email to the email address that you want all Blackboard and other FAU email directed to… and if your email address changes, remember to change the forwarding in MyFAU. If you are experiencing problems logging onto MyFAU or Blackboard, you can contact the helpdesk at 561.297.3999.

Abnormal Psychology is a very interesting course that takes an integrative approach to psychopathology. Areas of study include research methods, clinical assessment and diagnosis; causes and treatments of the major psychological disorders; and legal and ethical issues in abnormal psychology.

This is NOT a "how to" course. You will NOT learn how to counsel your family and friends. This is an introductory course that will survey our current understanding, categorization, and treatment of mental illness.

Human beings are complex and so are their mental illnesses. There are no easy answers and much we do not understand about the field. Students need to be mature, motivated, and have the ability to carefully consider and apply concepts and to think critically to succeed in this course.

STUDY AIDS - TWO REALLY HELPFUL HINTS:

A. Use the text Web site. Go to blackboard and you can find the link.

It has great study aids that will help you to master the text material. These include pretests, crossword puzzles, flashcards, quizzes and posttests, sample multiple choice questions, true-false, matching exercises, fill-in-the-blanks, essay questions, etc. Go to the pull-down "Select a Chapter" menu at the top left to find the relevant chapter.
B. Check out the Abnormal Psychology LIVE! CD that came with your text. For each chapter there are interesting video clips that expand upon chapter content or, when applicable, feature interviews with people diagnosed with disorders presented in the chapter.

Class Attendance and Participation
Social work education is designed to help students prepare for professional practice. In order to model ethically appropriate practice, please treat coming to classes as you would treat working at an agency. Given the Council on Social Work Education’s requirements for professional behavior, attendance for all classes is required. More than one unexcused absence, excessive tardiness, or patterns of leaving early may result in a reduction of the final grade. Students may be asked to present a written excuse from a healthcare provider for excused absences due to illness or other documentation for other circumstances. Since participating in class is an integral part of social work education, it is vital that the student be in class; therefore, even with excused absences, the student may be required to withdraw or retake the class. If a student misses more than 2 classes – whether or not there is a documented, excused absence – the student may receive a substantial decrease in the final grade.

Professional Expectations of Student Behavior
The Florida Atlantic University School of Social Work is mandated by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) to foster and evaluate professional behavioral development for all students in the social work program. The School of Social Work also bears a responsibility to the community at large to produce fully trained professional social workers who consciously exhibit the knowledge, values, and skills of the profession of social work. The values of the profession are codified in the NASW Code of Ethics. Given this context, all students in the social work program will be expected to exhibit the following ethical standards of behavior.

1. **Accountability:** Attend class, arrive on time, and return from break in a timely manner.

   *Participate in group activities and assignments at a comparable level to peers.*
   *Complete work in a timely fashion and according to directions provided.*
   *Come to class prepared, with readings and other homework completed.*

2. **Respect:** Treat all your peers, your instructors and all those you come in contact with, with dignity and respect at all times.

   *Listen while others are speaking.*
   *Give feedback to peers in a constructive manner.*
   *Approach conflict with peers or instructors in a cooperative manner.*
   *Use positive and nonjudgmental language.*

3. **Confidentiality:** Treat any personal information that you hear about a peer or an instructor as strictly confidential.

   *Maintain any information shared in class, dyads or smaller groups within that unit.*
   *Use judgment in self-disclosing information of a very personal nature in the classroom.*
   *(Class time should not be used as therapy or treatment. If students feel the need to*
talk about issues they are struggling with, they many consult with their instructor to receive a referral for counseling.)

Never use names of clients or disclose other identifying information in the classroom.

4. **Competence**: Apply yourself to all your academic pursuits with seriousness and conscientiousness, meeting all deadlines as given by your instructors. Constantly strive to improve your abilities.

*Come to class with books, handouts, syllabus, and pens*

*Seek out appropriate support when having difficulties to ensure success in completing course requirements.*

*Take responsibility for the quality of completed tests and assignment.*

*Strive to work toward greater awareness of personal issues that may impede your effectiveness with clients.*

5. **Integrity**: Practice honesty with yourself, your peers, and your instructors. Constantly strive to improve your abilities.

*Academic*: Commit yourself to learning the rules of citing other's work properly.

*Do your own work and take credit only for your own work.*

*Accept and benefit from constructive feedback*

*Submission of Papers*: Students will submit their written assignments on paper and electronically. Electronic copies will be subject to plagiarism analysis and will be kept in electronic file for future reference. A student may not submit the same paper, or essentially the same, paper, project, assignment, or finished project to an instructor, which has been submitted to another instructor, unless specifically authorized by both instructors to do so.

6. **Diversity**: Strive to become more open to people, ideas, and creeds that you are not familiar with. Embrace diversity.

*Maintain speech free of racism, sexism, ableism, heterosexism, or stereotyping.*

*Exhibit a willingness to serve diverse groups of persons.*

*Demonstrate an understanding of how values and culture interact.*

7. **Communication**: Strive to improve both verbal and written communication skills as these skills are used heavily in interactions with clients and peers and also with creating client records.

*Demonstrate assertive communication with peers and instructors.*

*Practice positive, constructive, respectful and professional communications skills with peers and instructor: (body language, empathy, listening)*
8. **Social Justice:** Strive to deepen your commitment to social justice for all populations at risk.

*Demonstrate an understanding of how institutional and personal oppression impede the experience of social justice for individuals and groups.*

*Strive to learn about methods of empowering populations and enhancing social justice at micro, mezzo, and macro levels.*

**Consequences of Unacceptable Behavior**

The School of Social Work may terminate a student’s participation in the program on the basis of professional non-suitability if the School’s faculty members determine that a student’s behavior has constituted a significant violation or pattern of violations of the NASW Code of Ethics, the FAU School of Social Work Student Manual, or the FAU Academic Policies and Regulations. Examples of violations that may lead to termination include (but are not limited to) the following:

1. Failure to meet or maintain academic grade point requirements as established by the University and the Social Work program.
2. Academic cheating, lying, or plagiarism.
3. Behavior judged to be in violation of the NASW Code of Ethics.
4. Failure to meet generally accepted standards of professional conduct, personal integrity, or emotional stability requisite for professional practice.
5. Inappropriate or disruptive behavior toward colleagues, faculty, or staff (at the School or in the field placement).
6. Consistent failure to demonstrate effective interpersonal skills necessary for forming professional relationships (for example, unable to demonstrate nonjudgmental attitude or unable to allow client self-determination).
7. Documented evidence of criminal activity occurring during the course of study.

For additional university-wide policies and regulations see the FAU Catalog at [http://www.fau.edu/iregistrar/universitycatalog/welcome.php](http://www.fau.edu/iregistrar/universitycatalog/welcome.php). This web site contains information on grading, incomplete grades, cheating on exams, plagiarism, expectations of student behavior, and communications devices (e.g., cell phones to be disabled during class sessions).

**Academic Irregularities, Academic Policies and Regulations:**

According to FAU policies, the following constitute Academic Irregularities:

1. The use of materials and devices such as notes, books, calculators, etc., while taking an examination, unless specifically authorized by the instructor; or assistance from or to other persons while taking an examination unless specifically authorized by the instructor acts defined as “cheating”.
2. The presentation of words or ideas from any other source as one’s own is an act defined as plagiarism.
3. The unauthorized obtaining, distributing, or receiving of materials which is, or is purported to be an examination, or part of an examination, without the expressed consent of the instructor.
4. Taking an examination for another person or having another person take an examination, and presenting, or having same presented as one's own exam.
5. Other activities that interfere with the academic mission of the classroom.
6. Submission of the same, or essentially the same, paper, project, assignment, or finished project to an instructor, which has been submitted to another instructor, unless specifically authorized by both instructors to do so.

For the Academic Policies and Regulations see the FAU Graduate catalogue which contains information on grading, incomplete grades, plagiarism, expectations of student behavior, and communications devices (e.g., cell phones to be disabled during class sessions).

**Policy on Use of Computers and Recording Devices in the Classroom**

The School of Social Work prohibits the use of computers, audio recording, or video recording devices during instructional activities in classrooms, laboratories, and studios without the expressed written consent of the instructor. This prohibition does not apply to specific accommodations approved by the FAU Office for Students with Disabilities. When the instructor's consent is given, the materials produced are for personal use only and are not for distribution or sale in any fashion.

**COURSE OUTLINE**

The following schedule is offered as a general guide to the course. It is organized in terms of subject areas more than dates and is flexible, not fixed. In other words, the pace at which we move through material may vary slightly and alter the sample schedule. It is a good idea, a very good idea, to keep your reading ahead of the lecture: at least be familiar with the material ahead of time.

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON STUDENT RIGHTS and RESPONSIBILITIES**

Suggested articles for further reading

**CLASSIFICATION**


**DEPRESSION: DEFINITION**


**DEPRESSION: RELATION TO PERSONALITY**


**DEPRESSION: COGNITIVE AND INTERPERSONAL ASPECTS**


**BIPOLAR DISORDER: RELATION TO PERSONALITY**


**SCHIZOPHRENIA: DEFINITION**


**SCHIZOPHRENIA: RELATION TO PERSONALITY**


**SCHIZOPHRENIA: DIATHESIS-STRESS MODELS**


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