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Required Textbook:


Course Description:

Theories and techniques which are necessary for pre-counseling are taught, including the role and skills essential to Christian counseling. Practical experience and evaluation techniques are introduced.

Course Objectives:

Upon completion of this course you should be able:

1. to identify major scholarly and professional writings within the field of Christian counseling.
2. to commence development of your own philosophy of and orientation toward the counseling process.
3. to demonstrate knowledge of the assumptions, concepts, therapy process, and techniques of major schools of counseling.
4. to demonstrate knowledge concerning the basic elements of the broad field of counseling.
Course Assignments:

Attendance and participation in various class activities.  
10%

Guest speaker reports, case studies, or video exercises  
10%

Reading Log  
Each student must critique 10 relevant journal articles.  
Read ten articles relating to Christian Counseling.  
Record (1) bibliographic information,  
(2) a short summary, and  
(3) a brief personal reaction.  
10%

Exam  
20%

Research Paper  
Select any trend/issue which is of special interest to you in the area of  
Christian Counseling. Write a 12 - 15 page professional paper on the  
subject. Also prepare a 20 - 30 minute presentation of your findings for the  
class. Duplicate topics will be discouraged.  
25%

Final Exam  
25%

All assignments will be discussed in detail. A schedule of activities will be  
distributed with due dates indicated. The content of this syllabus is subject  
to revision as announced in regular class sessions.
CHRISTIAN COUNSELING -- BIBLIOGRAPHY


Journals and Magazines

Christian Counseling Today  (American Association of Christian Counselors)

Discipleship Journal  (The Navigators) (no longer in print)

Leadership  (Christianity Today)

Journal of Biblical Counseling  (Christian Counseling and Educational Foundation)

Journal of Counseling and Development  (American Counseling Association) = secular

Journal of Pastoral Care  (Association for Clinical Pastoral Education and others)

Journal of Psychology and Theology  (Rosemead School of Psychology)

Journal of Religion and Health  (Blanton–Peal Institute)

Psychology Today  (Sussex Publishers) = secular + popular + New Age