

**CENTRAL PIEDMONT COMMUNITY COLLEGE
SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM**

SAB 240 - SUBSTANCE ABUSE ISSUES IN CLIENT SERVICES

SPECIFIC COURSE INFORMATION

COURSE PREFIX AND TITLE:

SAB 240 - SUBSTANCE ABUSE ISSUES IN CLIENT SERVICES

PREREQUISITES:

Successful completion of 12 SHC in the SAB concentration

COREQUISITE:

None

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course introduces systems of professional standards, values, and issues in substance abuse counseling. Topics include confidentiality, assessment of personal values, professional responsibilities, competencies, and ethics relative to multi-cultural counseling and research. Upon completion, students should be able to understand and discuss multiple ethical issues applicable to counseling and apply various decision-making models to current issues. *This course is a unique concentration requirement of the Substance Abuse concentration in the Human Services Technology program.*

CREDIT HOURS:

Lecture	Lab	Clinic	Credit
3	0	0	3

TEXTBOOK:

Richardson, Ethical Stds/Chemical Abuse Counselors Workbook,, 1st 95 Learn--Pub

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COURSE OBJECTIVES

The student will demonstrate an ability to:

1. Interpret and apply client confidentiality regulations.
2. Understand, interpret and utilize the Professional Code of Ethics for substance abuse professionals as defined by the North Carolina Substance Abuse Professional Certification Board.
3. Describe the dual relationship guidelines and identify the special issues as these guidelines relate to the recovering professional.
4. Describe and discuss the issue of boundaries important within the relationship between professional and the client.
5. Define and discuss the 12 Core Function of a Substance Abuse counselor.
6. Understand the basic concepts of HIV disease, including how it spreads, current available treatment options and its impact on the treatment of and recovery from addiction.
7. Identify and describe their own personal belief system, values and biases toward other cultures and lifestyles and how that may influence their effectiveness in working with clients.
8. Recognize the importance of ongoing personal and professional growth and development.

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COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. 3 Tests
2. In-class papers/projects
3. 1 paper written outside class

Each test will be specific to the material covered, and not cumulative. The first paper/project will involve 2 take-home ethical dilemmas that you will be required to solve, utilizing the guidelines given in class. The second one will involve a feedback session for yourself and your peers, and requires no outside preparation. The paper is a self-disclosure essay that requires only your own thoughts and feelings. There will be NO make-ups on any tests or projects done in class unless previously discussed with instructor. Failure to show up will result in a grade of zero.

All papers written outside of the classroom must be typed, double-spaced, and approximately 4-5 pages in length. NO exceptions.

COURSE GRADING:

Test 1	=100 points
Test 2	=100 points
Test 3	=100 points
Paper/project 1	=100 points
Paper/project 2	= 50 points
Out of class paper	= 50 points
Maximum points	=500 points

450-500	A
400-499	B
350-399	C
300-349	D

under 300 is not sufficient to pass this course

NOTE While attendance and participation are not part of your actual grade, absences (including tardiness) must be discussed and approved with this instructor, or an incomplete grade will be given. Participation is essential to any good learning experience, and a necessary part in this one.

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COURSE SCHEDULE:

Session 1	Introduction, Overview, Professionalism
Session 2	Ethics
Session 3	Confidentiality
Session 4	Legalities
Session 5	TEST
Session 6	Dual Relationships, Boundaries, Multicultural Aspects
Session 7	Specific Issues with Substance Abuse Counselors
Session 8	TEST
	SPRING BREAK
Session 9	Decision Making Process
Session 10	Ethical Dilemmas PAPER/PROJECT
Session 11	END OF CLASS(APRIL FOOL'S) 12 Core Functions
Session 12	Power of a Counselor
Session 13	Characteristics of an Effective Counselor
Session 14	Self-Awareness, Values PAPER/PROJECT
Session 15	Self-Care, Professional Growth & Development
Session 16	FINAL EXAM

NOTE This is a just a basic outline of topics to be covered, but the order and dates may vary e class progresses. Every effort will be made to keep you informed of changes.