

SAB 240

SAB Issues in Client Services

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**Prerequisite:** Successful completion of 12 SHC in the SAB concentration

**Corequisite:** None

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 multicultural 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.*

**Competencies:** This course is designed to meet selected performance domains as identified by substance abuse certification and regulatory agencies.

**The student will demonstrate and ability to:**

1. Interpret, apply, and model federal, state, and agency regulations regarding client confidentiality as well as ethical, legal and professional standards specifically related to the counseling profession.
2. Assess their own personal bias toward other cultures and lifestyles and any resulting impact on the counseling relationship.
3. Assess and participate in needed training.
4. Recognize the need for self-assessment as well as locating and utilizing resources in regard to their own physical and mental health.
5. Understand and discuss HIV/AIDS and Ethics by receiving at least 12 hours of HIV/AIDS instruction and at least 6 hours of Ethics instruction.

**Text:** TBA

**Course Requirements:** Active participation in class discussions  
Development outside class of supervision material  
Individual/group projects with presentations as assigned  
Regular class attendance  
Participation in trainings/seminars/workshops when conducted

**Grading and Attendance Policy:**

**A** 90 - 100      **B** 80 - 89      **C** 70 - 79      **D** 60 - 69      **F** Below 60

**I** Incomplete for a student who has not completed all of the exams or projects. Work must be completed prior to the end of the subsequent quarter in which the student is enrolled.

**Students who miss more than three classes or who fail to take the examinations on the assigned dates will be subject to a lower grade**