

COUN 6964 - Appraisal Techniques in Counseling

Fall 2026 Syllabus, Section 01, CRN 42478,

Credit hours: 3

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Ph.D. Counselor Education and Supervision, Kent State University, 2018

M.Ed. Community Counseling, Kent State University, 2006

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Course Description

6964. Appraisal Techniques in Counseling. Overview of the administration, scoring, and interpretation of standardized tests and measures used in counseling practice with specific focus and supervised practice in the administration and interpretation of standardized ability, interest, intelligence, and aptitude tests. 3 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
Required	Assessment for Counselors	Erford	

Erford, B. (2021). Assessment for Counselors#(1st ed.). Pearson.

The course readings are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, research developments, current events, and/or to ensure better learning.

Schedule of Topics and Assignments

Day	Date	Reading(s)	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
Mon	8/24	ACA Code of Ethics, Section E; Chapter 1 3.G.1 3.G.5 3.G.6	Introductions; create study groups; review syllabus/ course assignments; review Section E of ACA Ethical Standards; Ethical and Legal Issues in Assessment Basic Assessment Concepts	3.G.1 3.G.5 3.G.6



Mon	8/31	Historial Foundations and perspectives on assessment, legal, ethical and diversity foundations and perspectives in assessment.	Chapters 2, 3	3.G.1, 3.G.5, 3.G.6
Mon	9/7	No Class		
Mon	9/14	How tests are constructed	Chapter 4	3.G.2, 3.G.3, 3.G.16
Mon	9/21	Selecting, administering, scoring and interpreting assessment instruments and techniques	Chapter 5	3.G.2, 3.G.3, 3.G.16, 3.G.13 All assessments completed by 7 p.m.
Mon	9/28	Reliability and validity	Chapters 6 and 7	3.G.4
Mon	10/5	Clinical assessment and diagnosis	Chapter 8	3.G.7, 3.G.11, 3.G.10, 3.G.17
Mon	10/12			Midterm exam
Mon	10/19	Personality assessment	Chapter 9	3.G.9, 3.G.10, 3.G.12, 3.G.14, 3.G.16, 3.G.13
Mon	10/26	Behavioral assessment	Chapter 10	3.G.9, 3.G.10, 3.G.12
Mon	11/2	Assessment of intelligence, other aptitudes and achievement	Chapters 11, 12, 13	3.G.8, 3.G.17, 3.G.16, 3.G.11, 3.G.8
Mon	11/9	Assessment of career counseling	Chapter 14	3.G.17, 3.G.11, 3.G.7, 3.G.9
Mon	11/16	Assessing couples and families	Chapter 15	3.G.16, 3.G.13, 3.G.9, 3.G.7
Mon	11/23			Presentations of report of testing
Mon	11/30			Presentations of report of testing Report of testing uploaded to SL&L by 8:00 p.m.
Mon	12/7			Final exam during class time

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