
COUN 6964 - Appraisal Techniques in Counseling

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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, 1e	Bradley Erford	

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
Tue	6/30	Chapter 1 ACA Code of Ethics	Introductions; create study groups; review syllabus/ course assignments; review Section E of ACA Ethical Standards; Ethical and Legal Issues in Assessment . CACREP Standard 3.G.1, 3.G.5, 3.G.6	
Thu	7/2	Chapter 2 and 3	Historical foundations and perspectives on assessment. Legal, ethical, and diversity foundations and perspectives in assessment CACREP Standard 3.G.1, 3.G.5, 3.G.6	
Tue	7/7	Chapter 4 and 5	How tests are constructed Selecting administering, scoring and interpreting assessment instruments and techniques. CACREP Standard 3.G.2, 3.G.3., 3.G.16	
Thu	7/9	Chapter 6 and 7	Reliability and Validity CACREP Standard 3.G.4	
Tue	7/14	Chapter 6, 7, and 8	Reliability and Validity (review) Clinical assessment and diagnosis CACREP Standard 3.G.7, 3.G.11., 3.G.17	
Thu	7/16		Midterm	
Tue	7/21	Chapter 9 and 10	Personality assessment Behavioral assessment Group Work on Report of Testing CACREP Standard 3.G.9, 3.G.10, 3.G.12	
Thu	7/23	Chapter 11 and 12	Assessment of intelligence Assessment of other aptitudes Group Work on Report of Testing CACREP Standard 3.G.8	
Tue	7/28	Chapter 13 and 14	Assessment of achievement Assessment in career counseling Group Work on Report of Testing CACREP Standard 3.G.8	
Thu	7/30	Chapter 15	Assessing couples and families Assessing safety CACREP Standard 3.G.12, 3.G.13	
Tue	8/4	Draft of report due. Group Work. Review for final		
Thu	8/6	Presentations		

Tue	8/11	Presentations
Thu	8/13	Final Exam

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