A. Course Description

Credits: 4

Prerequisites:
- HSCD 200 Pharmacology of Addictive Drugs
- HSCD 300 Introduction to Substance Use Disorders
- HSER 346 Counseling and Interviewing Skills

Lab Hours/ Weeks: Corequisites: None

Lecture Hours/ Week :

MnTC Goals: None

This course is designed to teach students the knowledge and skills necessary to successfully perform assessment interviews and diagnosis of substance use problems. Students will learn about: the qualities of good assessment, motivational interviewing skills, the interview process, screening tools, "Rule 25", "DSM IV", placement and treatment planning. This course meets the required 30 hours of class-room training to be a "Rule 25" assessor.

B. Course Effective Dates: 05/05/2015 - Present

C. Outline of Major Content Areas:

See Course Description for major content areas.

D. Learning Outcomes (General)

1. Demonstrate the knowledge and skills need for successful interviewing and assessment of people with alcohol and drug problems, as demonstrated by quizzes, exams, assignments and class discussion.
2. Develop an understanding of common assessment methods and tools used in the assessment and diagnostic process by alcohol & drug counselors, as demonstrated by experiential activities, exams, assignments, and class discussion.

E. Learning Outcomes (MN Transfer Curriculum)

This contains no goal areas.

G. Special Information

Prerequisites: HSCD 200 AND HSCD 300 AND HSER 346. Note: Attendance at the first class meeting is mandatory unless approved beforehand by the instructor. This course is only open to declared Alcohol and Drug Counseling majors. If you have not yet declared your major, contact your advisor.

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