



Syllabus

CDC 115 Issues in Ethics for Chemical Dependency Counselors

General Information

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Course Prefix

CDC

Course Number

115

Course Title

Issues in Ethics for Chemical Dependency Counselors

Course Information

Credit Hours

3

Lecture Contact Hours

3

Lab Contact Hours

0

Other Contact Hours

0

Catalog Description

This course addresses ethics for chemical dependency counselors by presenting an overview of ethical thought and the basics of ethical decision making. The major focus will be professional ethics as they relate to chemical dependency counseling, and on the CASAC canon of ethics. The course will include the examination of the student's personal values and belief system as it relates to becoming an ethical and competent chemical dependency counselor. The course will also provide the OASAS requirement of two hours of Mandated Reporter training. Also addressed will be confidentiality and the HIPAA regulations. This course will include the examination of one's personal values and belief system as it relates to becoming an ethical and competent chemical dependency counselor. This course fulfills the OASAS requirement for 45 hours of education in ethics.

Key Assessment

This course does not contain a Key Assessment for any programs

Prerequisites

None

Co-requisites

None

Grading Scheme

Letter

First Year Experience/Capstone Designation

This course **DOES NOT** satisfy the outcomes applicable for status as a FYE or Capstone.

SUNY General Education

This course is designated as satisfying a requirement in the following SUNY Gen Ed category

None

FLCC Values

Institutional Learning Outcomes Addressed by the Course

Vitality

Inquiry

Course Learning Outcomes

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1. Explain the CASAC Ethical Canon and its purpose, applying it to ethical dilemmas.
2. Successfully complete the Mandated Reporter training and demonstrate understanding of the concepts and procedures.
3. Explain the reasons behind the concepts of self-disclosure, boundaries, and dual relationships in the context of the therapeutic relationship.
4. Engage in self-examination and reflection focused on personal worldview and its influence on personal and professional perceptions and interactions.

Outline of Topics Covered

Ethics

- Morals

- Values
- Vocabulary
- Philosophy

Ethical decision making models

- Variety
- Uses

Worldviews, belief systems, personal ethics, biases, and respect for personal differences, and individual needs

Professionalism

Client rights

- Advocacy
- Grievance processes

Codes of conduct

- CASAC
- NASW
- APA
- Human Services
- Consequences of code violatons

Mandated Reporter Certification

Informed Consent

Confidentiality and consequences of violations

HIPAA

Ethical uses of technology

Competence

Wellness

Scope of Practice

Impaired Professionals

Boundaries

- Counselor-client relationship
- Dual Relationships
- Self-Disclosure
- Transference and Counter Transference

- Social Media

Professional Development

- As an ethical obligation

Supervision

- As an ethical obligation