

COUN6330 Professional Issues in Counseling New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary Division of Church & Community Ministries Fall 2019

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Mission Statement

The mission of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary is to equip leaders to fulfill the Great Commission and the Great Commandments through the local church and its ministries.

Mission Statement of the Counseling Program

The mission of the NOBTS Counseling Program is to provide training and supervised experience in evidence-based counseling methods to help people deal with life issues in a biblically sound way and prepare students for licensure in counseling and counseling-related professions. We seek to produce graduates who have the values, knowledge, skills, and personal disposition to promote the mental health and holistic wellness of clients across diverse populations.

Core Value Focus

The seminary has five core values: Doctrinal Integrity, Spiritual Vitality, Mission Focus, Characteristic Excellence, and Servant Leadership. The core value focus for this academic year is Spiritual Vitality.

Curriculum Competencies

All graduates of NOBTS are expected to have at least a minimum level of competency in each of the following areas: Biblical Exposition, Christian Theological Heritage, Disciple Making, Interpersonal Skills, Servant Leadership, Spiritual and Character Formation, and Worship Leadership. The curriculum competencies addressed in this course are: Biblical Exposition, Interpersonal Skills, and Spiritual and Character Formation.

Syllabus Distribution

This syllabus is distributed at the beginning of the semester for review and can be found electronically on blackboard.

Course Description

This course is the capstone course for the counseling program and it is designed to address practical issues relevant to the practice of professional counseling. The course will be a presented as a hybrid, with a portion of the course being taught through Blackboard and the other portion in class. The following topics will be addressed: preparing for the National Counselor Exam (NCE) & Counselor Preparation Comprehensive Exam (CPCE), applying for licensure and certification (LPC, NBCC, AAMFT), advocacy, resumes and interviews, and practice management. December graduates must take this course in spring semester prior to graduation and May graduates must take this course in the fall semester prior to graduation.

Program Objectives: #2 Train students to have the necessary academic and clinical skills to obtain professional licensure.

Course Teaching Methodology

The course will involve the following methodologies: reading assignments, online quizzes, discussion boards, guest speakers / panel discussions, lecture, and portfolio development.

Textbooks

The following texts are required reading for class discussions and are to be read in their entirety unless otherwise specified.

Rosenthal, H. (2017). *Encyclopedia of counseling package* (4th ed.). New York, NY: Routledge. ISBN 9781138299283

Optional Texts

- Gregoire, J. and Jungers, C. (2007). *The counselor's companion: What every beginning counselor needs to know* New York, NY: Routledge. ISBN 9781138942653
- Helwig, A. (2015). *Study guide for the National Counselor Examination & CPCE* (7th ed.). Andrew Helwig Publisher. ISBN 9780964837775
- Rosenthal, H. (2009). Vital information and review questions for the NCE, CPCE and state counseling exams (3rd ed.) (Audio CD). New York, NY: Routledge, ISBN 9780415801416
- Mometrix Test Preparation (2016). *NCE flashcard study system: NCE test practice questions & exam review for the National Counselor Exam*. Beaumont, TX: Mometrix Media. ISBN 9781610722322

Supplemental Reading, required

Supplemental reading in the form of articles, multimedia presentations, and videos are posted in the various unit folders of the course Blackboard shell. These readings are brief and required.

Course Objectives	Learning Experiences	Assessments
Students will demonstrate	Instruction	Weekly Quizzes
knowledge and understanding of	Blackboard Discussion Boards	Final Exam - CPCE
each of the eight common core	Lecture	
areas of professional counseling	Guest Speakers	
(professional counseling		
orientation and ethical practice,	Readings:	
social and cultural diversity, human	EOC: Chapters 1-13	
growth and development, career		
development, counseling and	Audio CDs:	
helping relationships, group	Disks 1-10	
counseling and group work,		
assessment and testing, research		
and program evaluation).		
Students will develop strategies for	Instruction	Final Exam – CPCE
preparing for the CPCE, NCE, and	Blackboard Discussion Boards	Practice Licensure Application
applying for professional licensure.	Lecture	
(2.F.1.g)	Guest Speakers	

Course Objectives

Students will develop professional competencies related to applying and interviewing for counseling positions. (2.F.1.h)	Reading: ENC: Chapters 1, 2 Instruction: Lecture Blackboard Discussion boards Guest Speakers Reading: ENC: Chapters 9, 10 Audio CD: Part 1 (Disk 10)	Resume & Cover Letter Essay Assignment
Students will explore issues related to the multiple professional roles and responsibilities counselors have as members of an interdisciplinary community specifically with regard to advocacy for the profession and for clients, emergency response, and community outreach. (2.F.1.b) (2.F.1.c) (2.F.1.d) (2.F.1.e)	Instruction: Lecture Class Discussion Blackboard Discussion board Group Work	Participation in class group work and discussion. Portfolio – Reflection Paper

Course Requirements and Evaluation of Grades

	Assignment & Description	Percentage	Due Date
	ostone Portfolio – Each student will be expected to submit a portfolio in a three- g binder that contains the following documents:	15%	Nov.11
Α.	 Integration of Spirituality & Counseling Essay Write a verbatim of what you would say to explain Christian counseling and the concept of integration in a Christian setting. Write a verbatim of what you would say to explain Christian counseling and the concept of integration in a secular setting. Both essays (verbatim) should include how you will deal with skepticism about your training and the role your values will play in counseling. 		Oct. 21
	 Following the two verbatim, write a brief explanation of what you intentionally included and excluded in each verbatim and your rationale for doing so. 		
В.	Syllabi from every graduate level counseling course the student has taken. This is submitted in Tevera. A typed list of course syllabi submitted needs to be included in the portfolio.		Nov.11
c.	Practice PLPC Application		Nov.11

D.	Current Resume & Cover Letter		Sept.16
E.	 Reflection Paper exploring How you have grown and changed throughout the counseling program What are your plans following graduation Identify personal strengths and growing edges as an individual and a professional. Briefly explain your role and responsibility as an advocate for the counseling profession, clients, and individuals who have been marginalized. Plan for continued learning: Would you like to get trained in another model? How much will that cost? What are three specific ways you plan to continue learning as a professional after graduation? 		Nov.11 Nov.11
	Book List – Provide a list of books you consider to be the most important or essential in the field of Christian counseling. (Place an asterisk beside the books on the list you have read.) ote: Several elements of the portfolio are due throughout the semester in the as meetings. These will be given back to you to include in your portfolio.		
	papers are to utilize APA form and style)		
is p par stu per	cussion & Participation – Participation is an essential element in all courses, but articularly important in a hybrid course. Each week students will be required to ticipate in a meaningful way in a discussion board in Blackboard. In addition, dents are expected to contribute to class discussions when the class meets in son. Discussion board posts must be completed by Sunday at midnight (central ndard time). Responses submitted after	10%	Weekly
the you rec larg eac	rekly Online Quizzes – Each week students will take a quiz in Blackboard over reading and audio CDs. You are allowed to retake the quiz as many times as a would like. Each attempt will erase the previous score. Your grade will be orded from your last attempt. The questions are randomized and drawn from a ger pool of related questions, so the questions will vary in order and content on th attempt. Quizzes must be completed by Sunday evening at midnight central indard time.	29%	Weekly
Eac anc	Sup Study Sessions: In meeting #1 students will be divided into study groups. In group will create and submit a group study plan. Groups will meet for an hour I a half of each class meeting as well as two outside study sessions. Each dent is expected to prepare for the study sessions and fully participate.	15%	
	al Exam – The final exam will be the CPCE which will be pass/fail. Failure to pass final exam will require the student to retake the course.	31%	Dec 6 11:00 Computer Lab

Grading Scale:

A: 93-100 B: 85-92 C: 77-84 D: 70-76 F: Below 70

Course Policies, Academic Conduct, Professional Conduct, and Technical Assistance

Academic Honesty Policy

All graduate and undergraduate NOBTS students, whether on-campus, internet, or extension center students, are expected to adhere to the highest Christian standard of honesty and integrity when completing academic assignments for all courses in every delivery system format. The Bible provides our standard for academic integrity and honesty. This standard applies whether a student is taking tests, quizzes, exams, writing papers, completing Discussion Boards, or any other course requirement.

Academic Policies

Academic policies relater to absences, grading scale, final examination schedules, and other topics can be found in the current online catalog: <u>New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary Academic Catalog.</u>

Classroom Parameters

Please arrive on time. Turn off cell phones. Utilize laptops and other technology for class purposes only. Respect the professor and other members of the class. Maintain confidentiality when someone shares personal information. Participate in class and group discussions.

Classroom Participation/Active Dialogue

Student participation is expected. Class interaction is an important and valuable aspect of the learning environment where we can experience the truth of the Great Commandment by truly knowing one another.

Disabilities and Accommodations

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary does not discriminate against applicants/ students on the basis of personal disabilities. The Seminary, in voluntary compliance with the American Disabilities Act, will provide reasonable institutional accommodations, modifications, and adjustments to enable and empower students with disabilities to participate in Seminary programs and activities to the fullest extent possible. However, NOBTS cannot support accommodations that place undue hardship on the Seminary or its resources or which alter the essential requirements of curriculum and academic progress. While the seminary does not provide direct assistance to students in the form of equipment or personnel, accommodations may be made by individual professors at their discretion. These accommodations usually take the form of early access to lecture materials in electronic format and additional time to complete tests and assignments. The most efficient way to pursue such accommodations is to provide the Director of Testing and Counseling (Dr. Jeff Nave, jnave@nobts.edu, 504-282-4455 ext. 8004) with documentation of the condition for which you seek accommodation, an explanation of helpful accommodations received in the past, and a description of the specific accommodations you desire. The Director of Testing and Counseling will document your request and communicate on your behalf with the professors who teach the course(s) for which you are registered. The seminary reserves the right to consider each request for "special" accommodations on a case by case basis pursuant to the criteria enumerated above.

Diversity

The Counseling Program at NOBTS affirms the Christian doctrinal position that God created man in His own image, and that Christ died for man; therefore, every person of every race possesses full dignity and is worthy of respect and Christian love. We believe the counseling profession affords our students and graduates the opportunity to be "salt and light" (Matthew 5:13-16) whatever their places of service, and that a robust appreciation for and sensitivity to human diversity is key to that end. Further, a learning environment diverse in its people, curricula, scholarship, research, and creative activities expands opportunities for intellectual inquiry and engagement, helps students develop critical thinking skills, and prepares students for social and civic responsibilities. Students and faculty benefit from diversity. The quality of learning, research, scholarship, and creative activities are enhanced by a climate of inclusion, understanding, and appreciation of the full range of human experience. We are committed to nurturing and training a diverse student body in an atmosphere of mutual respect and appreciation of differences. As a result, the counseling program is committed to diversity and equal opportunity and recognizes that it must represent the diversity inherent in American society, reflected in our local community, and aligned with the core values of the NOBTS community.

Emergencies:

In cases of emergency, such as hurricanes, disease outbreaks, or other disasters, go to the seminary website (<u>www.nobts.edu</u>) for information. The seminary administration will post information, such as the nature of the emergency, instructions for response, and evacuation and return dates. Please check Blackboard for information specific to this course. Because Blackboard is available, the course will continue even if the main campus is closed. Please consider registering for the seminary's priority text messaging service through <u>SelfServe</u>. This service is used only in emergencies, and will allow the seminary to deliver urgent information to you as needed.

Extra Credit:

No extra credit will be given in this course.

Netiquette

Netiquette refers to appropriate online behavior in Blackboard or other online discussions. Each student is expected to demonstrate appropriate Christian behavior when working online on Discussion Boards or whenever interaction occurs through web, digital, or other electronic medium. The student is expected to interact with other students in a fashion that will promote learning and respect for the opinions of others in the course. A spirit of Christian charity is expected at all times in the online environment.

Plagiarism on Written Assignments

NOBTS has a no tolerance policy for plagiarism. Plagiarism in certain cases may result in expulsion from the seminary. See the NOBTS Student Handbook for definition, penalties, and policies associated with plagiarism.

Policy for Graduating Seniors

Graduating Seniors are responsible for alerting the professor of your intention to graduate. All of your assignments must be completed by noon (12:00 PM) on the Wednesday prior to commencement exercises.

Professor's Policy on Late Assignments

All work is due on the assigned date in the syllabus. All class work is due at the dates specified. Late assignments will be given a deduction of half a grade per day after the due date. Any assignment submitted after the final exam will receive a grade of 0 points.

Professional Conduct

Students are expected to adhere to the appropriate code of ethic for their particular program. Any behavior deemed unethical will be grounds for dismissal from the program.

Professor's Availability and Assignment Feedback

The student may contact the professor at any time using the email address provided in the course syllabus. The professor will make every effort to return answers to emailed questions within a 24-hour period of time. Assignments requiring grading will be returned to the student within a reasonable period of time. Student feedback on graded assignments will be provided through the grading rubric located in the student's Blackboard Grade Book. The student will find comments in the grading rubric, as well as on graded paper assignments. The student may also email the course grader with questions regarding grading.

Reading Assignments

Students are responsible for completing all reading assignments.

Technical Assistance

For assistance regarding technology, consult ITC (504-816-8180) or the following websites:

- 1. <u>Selfserve@nobts.edu</u> Email for technical questions/support requests with the <u>Selfserve.nobts.edu</u> site (Access to online registration, financial account, online transcript, etc.)
- 2. <u>BlackboardHelpDesk@nobts.edu</u> Email for technical questions/support requests with the NOBTS Blackboard Learning Management System <u>NOBTS.Blackboard.com</u>.
- 3. <u>ITCSupport@nobts.edu</u> Email for general technical questions/support requests.
- 4. <u>www.NOBTS.edu/itc/</u> General NOBTS technical help information is provided on this website.

Writing Center

NOBTS has adopted a Quality Enhancement Plan to improve English writing at the graduate level. As part of this effort, NOBTS has established a writing center located in the Hardin Student Center (290B). Visit the official <u>NOBTS Writing Center</u> online help site for writing academic papers and essays. You will discover writing guides, tips, and valuable information to help you become a better writer. Go here for Turabian and APA style helps and guidelines. You will also find language fonts for Greek and Hebrew. More information about how to set up an appointment for writing assistance is available on the writing center page.

Writing Style

All papers are to be written in American Psychological Association (APA) style. Please see the APA Manual 6th edition. Be thorough, and answer completely all the questions in the assignment

Student Services

This is a partial list of NOBTS student services available to all students, no matter your delivery system or location. If you have questions or do not see what you need here, please refer to <u>www.nobts.edu/studentservices</u>

Need	Email	Phone	Web Page
Advising – Graduate Program	studentservices@nobts.edu	504.282.44 55 x3312	www.nobts.edu/registrar/default.html <u>#advising</u>
Advising – Undergraduate Program	lcadminasst@nobts.edu	504.816.85 90	www.nobts.edu/LeavellCollege
Church Minister Relations (for ministry jobs)	<u>cmr@nobts.edu</u>	504.282.44 55 x3291	www.nobts.edu/CMR
Financial Aid	financialaid@nobts.edu	504.282.44 55 x3348	www.nobts.edu/financialaid

PREP (help to avoid student debt)	Prepassistant 1@nobts.edu	504.816.80 91	www.nobts.edu/prep
Gatekeeper NOBTS news	pr@nobts.edu	504.816.80 03	nobtsgatekeeper.wordpress.com
Information Technology Center	itcsupport@nobts.edu	504.816.81 80	<u>selfserve.nobts.edu</u>
Help with Blackboard	<u>blackboardhelpdesk@nobts.e</u> <u>du</u>	504.816.81 80	nobts.blackboard.com
Library	library@nobts.edu	504.816.80 18	www.nobts.edu/Library
Online library resources	library@nobts.edu	504.816.80 18	http://www.nobts.edu/research- links/default.html
Writing and Turabian style help	<u>library@nobts.edu</u>	504.816.80 18	http://www.nobts.edu/writing/default.html
Guest Housing (Providence Guest House)	ph@nobts.edu	504.282.44 55 x4455	www.provhouse.com
Student Counseling	lmccc@nobts.edu	504.816.80 04	www.nobts.edu/studentservices/counselingser vices.html
Women's Programs	womensacademic@nobts.edu	504.282.44 55 x3334	www.nobts.edu/women

Course Schedule

Enc= Encyclopedia of counseling; ACD = Audio CD's

Week #	Date	Торіс	Assignment
1	Mon., Aug 19	<i>In Class Meeting #1</i> - Advocacy & Practice Management	
2	Mon., Aug. 26	Study Guides How to End Exam Worries	Enc. = Ch. 1, 2 Discussion Board Quiz #1
3	Mon., Sept 2	Human Growth & Development	Enc. = Ch.3 ACD = Part 1 (Disk 2, 3) Discussion Board Quiz #2

	Mon., Sept 9	Social & Cultural Diversity	Enc. = Ch. 4
4			ACD = Part 1 (Disk 3)
			Discussion Board
			Quiz #3
5	Mon., Sept. 16	In Class Meeting #2 – Resume Writing & Interviewing Skills	Assignment: Prepare a current resume and cover letter suitable for applying for a counseling position.
	Mon., Sept 23	Counseling & Helping Relationships	Enc. = Ch. 5
6			ACD = Part 1 (Disk 4, 5, 6, 7)
Ū			Discussion Board
			Quiz #4
	Mon., Sept 30	Group Counseling & Group Work	Enc. = Ch. 6
7			ACD = Part 1 (Disk 7, 8)
,			Discussion Board
			Quiz #5
	Mon., Oct 7		Enc. = Ch. 7
8			ACD = Part 1 (Disk 8, 9)
0			Discussion Board Quiz #6
	Mon., Oct 14		
		FALL BREAK	
9	Mon., Oct 21	In Class Meeting #3 — Integration of Spirituality & Counseling	Assignment: Integration of Spirituality & Counseling Essay: - Write a verbatim of what you would say to explain Christian counseling and the concept of integration in a Christian setting. - Write a verbatim of what you would say to explain Christian setting. - Write a verbatim of what you would say to explain Christian setting. - Write a verbatim of what you would say to explain Christian counseling and the concept of the set of
10	Mon. Oct 28	Research & Program Evaluation Professional Development & Ethical Practice	integration in a secular setting . Enc.= Ch. 8 ACD = Part 1 (Disk 9, 10) Discussion Board Quiz #7

	Mon. Nov. 4	Assessment & Testing	Enc. = Ch. 9, 10
11			ACD = Part 1 (Disk 10)
			Discussion Board
			Quiz #8
12	Mon., April 15	Counseling Families, Diagnosis, Neuro- counseling and Advanced Concepts	Enc. = Ch. 11 ACD = Part 1 (Disk 10)
12			Discussion Board Quiz #9
	Mon., Nov. 11	In Class Meeting #4	Assignment:
		Applying for Professional Licensure	 Bring organized records of your clinical training – including courses & counseling hours (general, direct,
		Career Development	group, individual, couple, family). - Bring a list of syllabi you have
13		Toni Collins – CPCE Registration	 loaded into Tevera for the graduate level counseling courses you have taken. Download PLPC application from lpcboard.org and complete the application based on anticipated courses and hours. Bring this to
			class with you for meeting #4
	Mon., Nov. 18	Final Overview & Graphical	Portfolios Due Enc. Ch. 12 & 13
14	Won., Nov. 10	Representations	Discussion Board
			Quiz #10
	Mon., Dec. 2	Study & Review	
15	,		Final prep for CPCE
16	Friday Dec.7	CPCE – Final Exam	CPCE – Final Exam
10			

Signature Assignments

Assignment	Description	Percentage/Points	Due Date
СРСЕ	Counselor Preparation Comprehensive Exam	31%	Dec 6

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