

SWK553 Advanced Clinical Practice II: Family Intervention

Level: 5

Credit Units: 5 Credit Units

Language: ENGLISH

Presentation Pattern: EVERY JAN

Synopsis:

Advanced Clinical Practice II: Family Intervention addresses married couples and families specifically emphasising the family life cycle. It contrasts major models of family assessment and treatment relevant to contemporary family systems. Special attention is given to the multi-systemic context and to engaging diverse families. Students will become proficient in using the family need framework to direct their choice of models for assessment and intervention with diverse families in a variety of practice settings. The family practice builds upon the theoretical framework of systems theory in combination with various theories including structural, strategic, solution-focused, experiential and other modern therapies.

Topics:

- Self-awareness and relational reflexivity
- Professional issues and ethical practices
- Family development
- Transgenerational model and family of origin
- Attachment theory
- Basic concepts of systems and communication theory
- Art of questioning and thinking in family therapy
- Fundamentals of family therapy
- Family therapy models
- Family therapy techniques and interventions
- Social construction models
- Working with couples

Textbooks:

The Essentials of Family Therapy (2020) 7th Michael P. Nichols, Sean D. Davis Pearson
ISBN-13: 9780135170991

Learning Outcome:

- Evaluate the families and their needs.
- Discuss various theoretical models and techniques in helping diverse families.
- Examine values and ethics and their impact on family intervention.
- Apply ethical principles and pertinent research findings to their practice with families.
- Assess couple's and family's issues accurately.
- Apply the various models of family therapy.

Assessment Strategies - Regular Semester (Evening Class):

Components	Description	Weightage Allocation (%)
Overall Continuous Assessment	TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT 1	50
Overall Examinable Components	Written Exam	50
Total		100

*The information listed is subject to review and change.