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Signature, Department Chairperson	: Richard Fruscions



TO: FALL 2020 Curriculum Committee

FROM: Richard Fruscione, Chair, Department of Allied Health, Mental Health & Human Services

DATE: September 18, 2020

RE: Course Title, Description, and Prerequisite for SAC 2400 – Counseling Techniques in the

Substance Abuse Field II

The Department of Allied Health, Mental Health and Human Services is proposing a change in Course Title, Description, and Prerequisite for SAC 2400 – Counseling Techniques in the Substance Abuse Field II

Course Title:

FROM:

Counseling Techniques in the Substance Abuse Field II

TO:

Basic Techniques in Substance Abuse Counseling II

Course Description:

FROM:

Continuation of Counseling Techniques I and provides students with more advanced skills in working with the chemically dependent client. Personality and behavioral problems, HIV/AIDS, relapse prevention and vocational/educational concerns will be addressed.

TO:

Students are provided with the opportunity to learn more advanced skills in counseling including developing and facilitating a group. Basic theoretical and practical foundations of group work and its application to chemical dependency is emphasized. Special issues that may arise with persons diagnosed with substance use disorders (HIV/AIDS, mental illness, mandated clients, physical challenges, cultural barriers, etc.) are covered with a focus on skill-learning and techniques to facilitate therapeutic change. Relapse prevention training and addressing vocational-educational barriers to long-term recovery are also emphasized within the context of motivational interviewing, stages of change, and other prominent relapse prevention counseling theories. Documentation of group work will be practiced, continuing the principles and techniques learned in SAC 2200.



Course Pre-/Co-requisite:

FROM:

Prerequisite: SAC 2200

TO:

Prerequisite: SAC 2000 and SAC 2200

Rationale for Changes:

The NYS Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS), formerly the NYS Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services "oversees and establishes guidelines for the comprehensive statewide education and training of New York State's credentialed addiction professional workforce and all staff who provide treatment, prevention and recovery services." In Fall 2018, OASAS mandated that all educational institutions who offer the 350-hours of education and training leading to the Credentialed Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Counselor Certification (CASAC) must offer a standardized curriculum. The changes in course title and description align with OASAS requirements in order to meet the Certification in Alcohol and Substance Abuse Counseling – Trainee (CASAC-T) credential.

Having **both** SAC 2000 – Introduction to Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Counseling and SAC 2200 - Counseling Techniques in the Substance Abuse Field I, as prerequisites allows for proper course sequencing in the program and ensures that students have a solid grasp of information and materials covered in the introductory courses.

This course can be taken any time during the program after the prerequisites of SAC 2000 and SAC 2200 have been met.