# AD ST154: Legal and Ethical Issues and Community Networking

## **General Information**

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Course Code (CB01): **AD ST154** 

Course Title (CB02): Legal and Ethical Issues and Community Networking

Department: AD ST

**Proposal Start:** Spring 2025

TOP Code (CB03): (2104.40) Alcohol and Controlled Substances

CIP Code: (51.1501) Substance Abuse/Addiction Counseling.

SAM Code (CB09): Clearly Occupational

**Distance Education Approved:** Yes Will this course be taught Nο

asynchronously?:

Course Control Number (CB00): CCC000589887 **Curriculum Committee Approval Date:** 05/08/2024 **Board of Trustees Approval Date:** 06/18/2024 05/08/2024 Last Cyclical Review Date:

**Course Description and Course Note:** ADST 154 provides students with topics that include the applicable laws and ethics relating

> to case manager/client professional relationships in inpatient and outpatient treatment settings. Laws relating to confidentiality, patient rights, assessments, sharing of personal information, mandatory reporting, and crisis intervention requirements are presented. Dealing with issues such as duty to warn, evaluating a person's potential for suicide, child and elder abuse, and when individuals pose a serious potential of harm to others are also addressed. The class also provides an opportunity for the student to survey and analyze a variety of resources in the community involved in the treatment of alcohol and drug dependency. In analyzing the facilities, students examine policies and procedures as well as

employment opportunities and expectations regarding services.

Justification: Mandatory Revision

Academic Career: Credit

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# **Academic Senate Discipline**

**Primary Discipline:** • Addiction Paraprofessional Training

Alternate Discipline: No value Alternate Discipline: No value

Course Development		
Basic Skill Status (CB08)	Course Special Class Status (CB13)	Grading Basis
Course is not a basic skills course.	Course is not a special class.	Grade with Pass / No-Pass Option
Allow Students to Gain Credit by	Pre-Collegiate Level (CB21)	Course Support Course Status (CB26)
Exam/Challenge	Not applicable.	Course is not a support course
Transferability & Gen. Ed. Op	otions	

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General Education Status (CB25)	
Not Applicable	
Transferability	Transferability Status
Transferable to CSU only	Approved
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Units and Hours	

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Summary			
Minimum Credit Units (CB07)	4		
Maximum Credit Units (CB06)	4		
Total Course In-Class (Contact) Hours	72		
Total Course Out-of-Class Hours	144		
Total Student Learning Hours	216		
Credit / Non-Credit Op	otions		
Course Type (CB04)		Noncredit Course Category (CB22)	Noncredit Special Characteristics
Credit - Degree Applicable		Credit Course.	No Value
Course Classification Code (CE	311)	Funding Agency Category (CB23)	Cooperative Work Experience
Credit Course.		Not Applicable.	Education Status (CB10)
Variable Credit Course			
Weekly Student Hours	_	Course Stud	lant Harma

Weekly Studen	t Hours		Course Student Hours			
	In Class	Out of Class	Course Duration (Weeks)	18		
Lecture Hours	4	8	Hours per unit divisor	0		
Laboratory Hours	0	0	Course In-Class (Contact) Ho	<b>ours</b> 72		
Studio Hours	0 0	Laboratory	0			
			Studio	0		

Course Out-of-Class H	lours
Lecture	144
Laboratory	0
Studio	0
Total	144

## **Time Commitment Notes for Students**

72

No value

**Total** 

# **Units and Hours - Weekly Specialty Hours**

Activity Name	ry Name Type		Out of Class
No Value	No Value	No Value	No Value

# Pre-requisites, Co-requisites, Anti-requisites and Advisories

## **Advisory**

AD ST103 - Chemical Dependency: Intervention, Treatment, And Recovery (in-development)

#### **Objectives**

- Diagram and explain the bio-psycho-social perspective of the progression of alcohol and other drug dependencies.
- Distinguish between rudimentary skills in crisis intervention techniques, interpersonal communications, and problem solving with specific application to the alcoholic/addict and the chemically dependent family.

## **AND**

## **Advisory**

ABSE187 - Preparation for College Reading and Composition (in-development)

#### **Objectives**

- Identify the main idea and supporting details in a non-fiction text and understand figurative language in fiction.
- Read, and analyze contemporary articles and stories to identify topic, thesis, support, transitions, conclusion, audience, and tone.
- Complete the writing process for a given prompt based on one or more source texts.
- Compose a well-organized essay with an introduction, body paragraphs, and conclusion.

OR

# **Advisory**

ESL151 - Reading And Composition V

# **Objectives**

- Read and critically analyze various academic readings.
- Summarize readings.
- Organize fully-developed essays in both expository and argumentative modes.
- Compose a 500 to 550-word essay which: summarizes and cites appropriately a reading passage; includes a clear thesis statement; uses evidence to support the thesis; shows clear organization into an introduction, body, and conclusion.

OR

# **Advisory**

ENGL101 - Introduction to College Reading and Composition

## **Objectives**

- Read, analyze, and evaluate a variety of primarily non-fiction readings for content, context, and rhetorical merit with consideration of tone, audience, and purpose.
- Apply a variety of rhetorical strategies in writing unified, well-organized essays directed by a well-reasoned thesis statement with persuasive support.
- Develop varied and flexible strategies for generating, drafting, and revising essays.
- Analyze stylistic choices in their own writing and the writing of others.
- Write timed, in-class essays exhibiting acceptable college-level control of mechanics, organization, development, and coherence.
- Integrate the ideas of others through paraphrasing, summarizing, and quoting without plagiarism.
- Find, evaluate, analyze, and interpret primary and secondary sources, incorporating them into written essays using appropriate documentation format.
- Proofread and edit essays for presentation so they exhibit no disruptive errors in English grammar, usage, or punctuation.

Entry Standards					
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Summarizes and cites appropriately a reading	Summarizes and cites appropriately a reading passage provided as a prompt.				
Explain the intervention process and various techniques used to move the chemically dependent person into treatment and through recovery.					
Course Limitations					
Cross Listed or Equivalent Course	Cross Listed or Equivalent Course				
Specifications					
- Opcomoditions					
Methods of Instruction					
Methods of Instruction	Lecture				
Methods of Instruction	Discussion				
Methods of Instruction	Multimedia				
Methods of Instruction	Field Activities (Trips)				

## **Out of Class Assignments**

- Group project (e.g. presentations on how different types of facilities meet the treatment needs of diverse demographics of the community)
- Individual project creating case studies that involve counselor legal and ethical dilemmas

Methods of Evaluation	Rationale
Exam/Quiz/Test	Midterm examination on legal and ethical issues that counselors face in treatment settings
Exam/Quiz/Test	Final examination essay (compare and contrast different types of facilities and benefits to clients)
Exam/Quiz/Test	Final in-class comprehensive examination

#### **Textbook Rationale**

No Value

#### **Textbooks**

Author	Title	Publisher	Date	ISBN
Theodore P. Remley, Jr. and Barbara Herlihy	Ethical, Legal, and Professional Issues in Counseling	Pearson	2019	ISBN- 9780135183816

# Other Instructional Materials (i.e. OER, handouts)

Description	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; Addiction Counseling
	Competencies; The Knowledge, Skills, and Attitudes of Professional Practice, Technical

Assistance Publication Series, (T.A.P.) #21

Author No value

Citation Department of Health and Human Services Publication No. (SMA) 08-4171

Online Resource(s)

# **Materials Fee**

No value

# **Learning Outcomes and Objectives**

# **Course Objectives**

Survey and assess community agencies and programs with regard to scope, quality of services, and sources of financial support.

Identify the key aspects under which conditions counselors are allowed/not allowed to share confidential information with other persons working with clients and examine which conditions "must" be met before confidential information can be shared.

Define, analyze and determine when a counselor's behavior may have met the criteria for malpractice.

Describe the three main safeguards of HIPAA's (Health Insurance Portability Accounting Act) security rule.

Describe the necessity for a "strong" code of ethics needed to work as a professional in the field of Alcohol and Drug Counseling.

Identify how "standards of care" influences the relationship between counselor and client and discuss how poor standards of care can adversely affect the counselor/client relationship.

#### SLOs

Identify the private and public agencies and programs that are part of the continuum of care in the community for the treatment of chemical dependency.

Expected Outcome Performance: 70.0

ILOs Core ILOs	Demonstrate depth of knowledge in a course, discipline, or vocation by applying practical knowledge, skills, abilities, theories, or methodologies to solve unique problems.
AD ST Addiction Studies Counseling	Demonstrate the ability to utilize their counseling and cognitive abilities necessary to integrate the counselor skills and ethical standards learned in the preceding Alcohol/Drug Studies Counseling program courses
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Expected Outcome Performance: 70.0

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#### Additional SLO Information

Does this proposal include revisions that might improve student attainment of course learning outcomes?

No

Is this proposal submitted in response to learning outcomes assessment data?

No

If yes was selected in either of the above questions for learning outcomes, explain and attach evidence of discussions about learning outcomes.

No Value

## **SLO Evidence**

No Value

## **Course Content**

## **Lecture Content**

#### The Counselor's Personal Belief System (3 hours)

- · Personal frame of reference
- Potential loss of objectivity
- Internal reality and clinical safety

#### **Informed Consent (2 hours)**

- Definition
- · Consent and Case Law

#### **Dual Relationships in Treatment: (3 hours)**

- Definition
- Rationale for why these limits exist
- · Potential for harm when boundaries are crossed
- Transference
- Counter transference

#### Competence (5 hours)

- States with Alcohol & Drug Counselor regulations vs. states with no such regulations
- · Certificated skills vs. professional skill levels
- Short-term vs. long term client needs with certificated vs. professional qualifications
- Certificated working in work environment vs. private practice environment
- · Long-term recovery issues

#### **Dual Diagnosis (5 Hours)**

- Professionals vs. certificated skill levels
- · Medication vs. illegal drug issues
- .Common medications and life issues they address
- Issues/conflicts when treating both addiction and mental illness at the same time
- · Potential issues of professional bias

## **Client Rights (6 hours)**

- Informed consent and release of information issues
- Issues when clients are forced into treatment; what rights do they still have?
- · How to meet clients' individual needs
- Evaluation of treatment success/failures
- · Employer demands vs. individual rights
- · Legal importance of tracking treatment progress
- Ethical concerns for rewards/punishments in treatment

#### Confidentiality (5 hours)

- Defining what can/can't be shared
- Privileged communication who has/doesn't have it
- When consulting on a case what can and can't be shared
- Additional confidentiality concerns
- · Federal and state laws pertaining to confidentiality
- What can and can't be shared with family
- Reporting child abuse do's and don'ts

#### **Exploitation (7 hours)**

- Ways Alcohol and Drug clients are exploitable
- Unique celebrity issues
- When to share ones' addiction
- Social contact with clients
- Guidelines for relationships with former clients
- Transference and countertransference issues
- Professional and A.A. guidelines for such relationships
- How to terminate relationship with client
- Protecting staff right to privacy when attending public 12-step meetings

#### **Child Abuse Reporting (5 hours)**

- Definition
- Managing child abuse reporting
- Child abuse reporting and immunity
- Criteria for reporting
- Consensual sex between minors
- Reporting Consensual Sex between Minors and Adults

## **Elder and Dependent Abuse and Reporting (5 hours)**

- Definitions of elder and dependent abuse
- Recent changes in elder and dependent abuse laws
- Elder and dependent abuse laws
- Elder and dependent abuse reporting
- Case examples to evaluate criteria of when to report/not report

## **Treatment Records (7 hours)**

- Patient records and ethical standards
- · Patient access to records
- Intake and informed consent forms
- Progress notes
- Discharge summary
- Clinical Forms

#### **Established Community Agencies and the Continuum of Care (8 hours)**

- Philosophical foundations of treatment
- Organizational structure
- Policies and procedures
- Documentation
- Service population
- Design and development
- Use of and implementation assessment tools
- On-site visitation
- · Interview techniques
- Guidelines to group presentations

#### Types of Facilities and Programs, and Services (6 hours)

- · Acute inpatient treatment programs
- Community support services
- DUI and diversion programs
- Education and prevention services
- Information and referral agencies
- Outpatient treatment programs
- Recovery homes, shelters, special programs
- Residential care centers and outpatient programs
- Social model treatment program

# **Developing New Community Services (5 hours)**

- Licensing or credentialing requirements of counselors
- Physical plant certification and location
- Organizational structure
- Operating policies and procedures
- Treatment services and staffing

**Total Hours: 72** 

## **Additional Information**

Is this cour	se proposed for	GCC Major or General	Education Gradu	ıation requireme	nt? If yes, indica	te which requi	rement in the
two areas	provided below.						

No

## **GCC Major Requirements**

No Value

## **GCC General Education Graduation Requirements**

No Value

## Repeatability

Not Repeatable

## Justification (if repeatable was chosen above)

No Value

Resources
Did you contact your departmental library liaison?
If yes, who is your departmental library liason?  No Value
Did you contact the DEIA liaison? No
Were there any DEIA changes made to this outline?  No Value
If yes, in what areas were these changes made:  No Value
Will any additional resources be needed for this course? (Click all that apply)  • No
If additional resources are needed, add a brief description and cost in the box provided.  No Value