Counseling Psychology & Special Education 715  
Diagnosis and Treatment of Dysfunctional Behavior  
Fall 2015 Tues 12:00-2:50 355 MCKB  
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This course is an introduction to theories of psychopathology and diagnosis. We will be discussing both the DSM5 (American Psychiatric Association) as well as the ICD-10 (World Health Organization) nosology. We will focus on the following: 1) Understanding the scientific rationale for diagnosis and diagnostic categories; 2) Learning diagnostic criteria for major diagnostic categories and specific disorders (theories of etiology for specific disorders are introduced); 3) Reading and discussion of treatment strategies as presented in current professional literature; 4) Understanding how diversity and culture influence prevalence, symptoms, and outcome in diagnostic categories.

**Texts:**


**Classroom Procedures:**

Class will begin promptly; please do not be late. One of the most important means of showing your learning will be through participation in class discussions which will require you to come to class prepared to discuss the topics explained in the readings. That is, I expect that you will have done the reading before class. At the end of the semester, I will try my best to give you an objective score regarding your participation (out of 50) based on the following criteria: Attended classes, punctuality, demonstrated knowledge through comments, demonstrated reading through comments, and engagement in classroom discussion. You will also give yourself a score (out of 50) based on the same criteria.

Please turn cell phones to silent prior to entering the classroom.

**Reading Responses:**

There will be 11 opportunities to reflect on and respond to the assigned readings through learning suite. Each response will consist of four multiple choice or T/F questions that will come from the DSM-5 manual (two points each). You will be asked to discuss two disorders that you found to be surprising or interesting and in doing so, you need to provide sufficient detail explaining why you found these interesting and provide the DSM-5 and ICD-10 codes for the disorders you are discussing (eight points). You will also be asked to discuss one difference you see between the ICD-10 and DSM-5. These questions will account for 20 points. You will also be asked to assess the percentage of the reading that you completed and you will receive up to 10 points for reading completion (total of 30 points per reading response).
Only ten of these reading responses will count toward your final grade. You can therefore drop your lowest score. Please read assigned material before coming to class so the lecture will be more meaningful. These reading responses cannot be made up. Each reading response will be made available directly following our Tuesday class and will remain open until 9:00 a.m. the day of class for which the readings are assigned. For example, reading response #1 opens on September 1st at 3:00 p.m. You will have one week (until September 8th at 9 a.m.) to read the materials and complete the reading response required for class on September 8th.

**Exams:**
There will be a midterm and a final exam. The midterm will be a take-home exam and the final will be partial take-home and partially administered in class. Exams will cover reading materials, handouts, and materials presented in class. Both exams will include multiple choice, short answer, true-false, and essays. They will also include case studies. The midterm is worth 100 points and the final is worth 200 points. We will review the materials you will need to know before each of these exams.

**Research Pamphlet:**
For the purposes of this assignment, please review the current literature on a specific mental disorder or cluster of related disorders as approved by the instructor. You are then required to create a care-giver pamphlet that you might see in a doctor’s office about the disorder you have chosen. This pamphlet should briefly review the following:
1. An introduction to the disorder (criteria).
2. Causes of the disorder.
3. How would one know that another has the disorder?
4. Treatment options for this disorder (include best practice)
5. Coping ideas/strategies for the person seeing the disorder from the outside.
6. Conclusions (include potential resources here)

Please cover the aforementioned material with a one page (front and back) pamphlet that would be folded into thirds. Think of this assignment as a “Readers Digest Summary” of the disorder you have picked that provides the most important information to the reader/care-giver. When writing about people with the disorder you have chosen, please use person-first language (e.g., person with anorexia as opposed to anorexic; child with Oppositional Defiant Disorder as opposed to ODD child). You will share these pamphlets with others in class as a way to have resources in the future.

Be creative and feel free to use pictures or designs that will make the pamphlet interesting and appealing to the reader.

You will need to document at least ten credible sources that you used in gathering the information that you used for this assignment. (Examples will be provided in class)
The pamphlet is worth 150 points.

**Reflection Papers:**
There will be four brief reflection papers worth 25 points each. You will be asked to write about your thoughts and responses to a specific prompt that covers ideas and concepts taught in class. The purpose of this is to help you think more deeply about mental disorders and the impact they
have on your clients’ lives and others who have relationships with them. Each paper will be about one type-written page.

Extra Credit:
Up to 40 points extra credit may be earned by either reading a book from “pop” literature on a disorder or treatment issue or reviewing a “pop” movie that focuses on a disorder or treatment issue. Examples include: [Books] Mood Swing (Ronald R. Fieve), Making Peace with Food (Susan Kano), Feeling Good (David Burns), [Movies] “Benny and June,” “Shine,” “Awakenings,” “Unstrung Heroes,” “He Loves Me He Loves Me Not”. Write a 1-2 page critique that discusses whether the disorder and treatment are accurately portrayed and represented, how the portrayal may impact public attitudes about mental illness, and why or why not it may be useful to clients. You can do up to 2 of these for a maximum of 20 points each.

Student Evaluation:
It is very important to me that you know that I am open and willing to consider any feedback regarding this course. Therefore, please do not hesitate to share your thoughts about what is particularly unhelpful and helpful about the course. My door is always open for such interaction. Please also understand that we need to reserve the right to alter this syllabus if it is in the best interest of the class.
You will also receive 50 points for completing the online student evaluation of this course (studentratings.byu.edu) and letting me know that you have completed it.

Grading Scale (Based on a total of 1000 points)

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Grades
You must earn 78% of possible points to receive a grade of B-. This is a passing grade for the PhD program.

Class Environment
It is very important to me that we create a class environment in which the development of each student becomes the goal of all of us in the course. Therefore, I ask you to pledge yourself to helping each of your classmates get the most from this learning experience. I believe that the best class environment for achieving this goal is one in which each student feels encouraged, affirmed, and challenged supportively by others (including myself) to learn. Together, we can establish a place where each of us feels safe to take the risks that are part of sharing our opinions and trying the unfamiliar. In order to create this positive class environment, at least two norms must be established. First, while our class is not a forum for personal therapy, each class member must feel invited, but not compelled, to share personal material relevant to the content of this course. Second, we must have an affirming, welcoming stance for differing viewpoints and life experiences. Every viewpoint and every perspective has great value for our learning in this course. Perhaps the most valuable are those perspectives and opinions that differ from our own
or from what might seem to be the prevailing opinion. Please join with me in working to create such an atmosphere in our class.

**Honor Code Standards**
In keeping with the principles of the BYU Honor Code, students are expected to be honest in all of their academic work. Academic honesty means, most fundamentally, that any work you present as your own must in fact be your own work and not that of another. Violations of this principle may result in a failing grade in the course and additional disciplinary action by the university.

Students are also expected to adhere to the Dress and Grooming Standards. Adherence demonstrates respect for yourself and others and ensures an effective learning and working environment. It is the university’s expectation, and my own expectation in class, that each student will abide by all Honor Code standards. Please call the Honor Code Office at 422-2847 if you have questions about those standards.

**Preventing Sexual Harassment:**
Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 prohibits sex discrimination against any participant in an education program or activity that receives federal funds. The act is intended to eliminate sex discrimination in education. Title IX covers discrimination in programs, admissions, activities, and student-to-student sexual harassment. BYU’s policy against sexual harassment extends not only to employees of the university but to students as well. If you encounter unlawful sexual harassment or gender based discrimination, please talk to your professor; contact the Equal Employment Office at 378-5895 or 367-5689 (24 hours); or contact the Honor Code Office at 378-2847.

**Students with Disabilities:**
Brigham Young University is committed to providing a working and learning atmosphere which reasonably accommodates qualified persons with disabilities. If you have any disability which may impair your ability to complete this course successfully, please contact the University Accessibility Center (422-2767). Reasonable academic accommodations are reviewed for all students who have qualified documented disabilities. Services are coordinated with the student and instructor by the UAC office. If you need assistance or if you feel you have been unlawfully discriminated against on the basis of disability, you may seek resolution through established grievance policy and procedures. You should contact the Equal Employment Office at 422-5895, D-292 ASB.
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<td>Theories of Diagnosis Bio/Psycho/Social model, DSM and ICD, WHODAS</td>
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| **8** Assessment and Making a diagnosis, forensic use of DSM and ICD, coding, Neurodevelopmental disorders, working with children | DSM 19-86  
ICD 174-228  
DSM-5 Made Easy Chapter 1 | RR #1 closes  
RR #2 opens |                      |
| **15** Schizophrenia Spectrum and Other Psychotic Disorders, Understanding various models of Psychosis | DSM 87-122  
ICD 76-90; 58-62  
DSM-5 Made Easy Chapter 2 | RR #2 closes  
RR #3 opens | Dr. Marleen Williams 12-1:30 |
| **22** Bipolar Disorders, Depressive Disorders week                  | DSM 123-188  
ICD 91-109  
DSM-5 Made Easy Chapter 3 | RR #3 closes  
RR #4 opens |                      |
| **29** Depressive Disorders (continued), Anxiety Disorders           | DSM 189-234  
ICD 110-117; 218(Elective Mutism)  
DSM-5 Made Easy Chapter 4 | RR #4 closes  
RR #5 opens | Dr. Russ Bailey (12:00-1:30 p.m.) |
ICD 117-118; 131; 167  
DSM-5 Made Easy Chapter 5 | RR #5 closes | Dr. Diane Nielsen (12-1:30) |
| **13** Relaxation and Biofeedback strategies for treatment           | DSM 265-290  
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caps.byu.edu/biofeedback | RR #6 opens | Dr. Maureen Rice (12:00-2:00) |
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<td>DSM 291-328 ICD 122-135; 173 (Elaboration of Physical Symptoms) DSM-5 Made Easy Chapters 7 &amp; 8</td>
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<td>Dr. Jennie Bingham (12:00-1:00)</td>
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<td>DSM 329-360 ICD 136-142; 225-226 (Feeding Disorder and Pica) DSM-5 Made Easy Chapters 9 &amp;10</td>
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<td>Sleep-Wake Disorders, Sexual Dysfunctions, Gender Dysphoria, APA guidelines on working with GLBTQI clients,</td>
<td>DSM 361-459 ICD 142-152; 168-169; 223-225 DSM-5 Made Easy Chapters 9, 12, and 13</td>
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<td>Dr. Ron Chapman</td>
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<td>Friday classes only – Thanksgiving break</td>
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<td>Medication-Induced Movement Disorders and other adverse effects of medication, Conditions for further study</td>
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