

Course	COUN 5140 Psychopharmacology Section 58	
Term, Day, Time	Summer 2008, May 26-July 26, Tuesdays 6-10 pm	
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Catalog Description	COUN 5140: Psychopharmacology This course provides an introduction to pharmacological agents that affect mental and emotional functions. Focus of the course will be on the effects and the actions of psychoactive drugs, including drugs used in the treatment of psychopathological disorders and drugs of abuse.	
Course Level Outcome Objectives	<i>Upon successful completion of this class students will be able to:</i> 1. Demonstrate knowledge of the interaction between neuroanatomy and neurophysiology and the possible impact on mental illness (CACREP MH C. 1.) 2. Demonstrate knowledge of basic psychopharmacological agent's method of impact on behavior. (CACREP MH C. 3.) 3. Demonstrate understanding of the therapeutic and adverse effects of various psychopharmacological agents (CACREP MH C. 6.) 4. Demonstrate understanding of appropriate time and place for patient referral (CACREP MH C. 7.)	
Materials	Preston John, O'Neal John H., & Talaga, Mary C. (2008). Handbook of Clinical Psychopharmacology for Therapists (5th ed.) . Oakland:CA New Harbinger Publications. Order books from MBS Direct 1-800-325-3252 or www.mbsdirect.net Any additional articles and publications distributed by the instructor. Text must be brought to each class.	
Grading	Proficiency Exam #1 - 25% Proficiency Exam #2 - 25%	Proficiency Exam #3 - 25% Presentation -25%
	A= 90-100% B= 80-89% C= 70-79% F= 69 and below (conference with instructor)	
Activities	Lecture & Class Discussion, Student Presentations	

<p>Policy Statements: University Policies</p>	<p>University policies are provided in the current course catalog and course schedules. They are also available on the university website. This class is governed by the university's published policies. The following policies are of particular interest:</p> <p>Academic Honesty The university is committed to high standards of academic honesty. Students will be held responsible for violations of these standards. Please refer to the university's academic honesty policies for a definition of academic dishonesty and potential disciplinary actions associated with it.</p> <p>Drops and Withdrawals Please be aware that, should you choose to drop or withdraw from this course, the date on which you notify the university of your decision will determine the amount of tuition refund you receive. Please refer to the university policies on drops and withdrawals (p. 26 in 05-07 Graduate Studies Catalogue) to find out what the deadlines are for dropping a course with a full refund and for withdrawing from a course with a partial refund.</p> <p>Special Services If you have registered as a student with a documented disability and are entitled to classroom or testing accommodations, please inform the instructor at the beginning of the course of the accommodations you will require in this class so that these can be provided.</p> <p>Disturbances Since every student is entitled to full participation in class without interruption, disruption of class by inconsiderate behavior is not acceptable. Students are expected to treat the instructor and other students with dignity and respect, especially in cases where a diversity of opinion arises. Students who engage in disruptive behavior are subject to disciplinary action, including removal from the course.</p>
<p>Course Policies</p>	<p>Reading Assignments must be completed prior to each class. There will be no exceptions for skipping the reading--there is a large body of empirical information to be gleaned in a short amount of time.</p> <p>All assignments will be typed and double spaced. Citations must be used where appropriate with proper APA style noted. Assignments will be turned in at the beginning of class.</p> <p>Attendance is mandatory. If an emergency comes up and you must miss class please call me ahead of time (if possible) or leave a message at the University.</p>

Weekly Schedule	<p>Week One Pharmacology and Neorophysiology Chapters 1,2,& 3</p> <p>Week Two Pharmacology and Neorophysiology Chapters 1,2,& 3</p> <p>Week Three Proficiency Exam #1 Preliminary Diagnostic Considerations Depressive Disorders Bipolar Disorders Chapters 4, 5, & 6</p> <p>Week Four Anxiety Disorders Obsessive -Compulsive Disorder Psychotic Disorders Chapters 7,8, & 9</p> <p>Week Five Post-Traumatic Stress Disorders Borderline Personality Disorders Substance related Disorders Miscellaneous Disorders Chapters 10, 11, 12, & 13</p> <p>Week Six Proficiency Exam #2 Antidepressant Medications Mood Stabilizers Chapters 14 & 15</p> <p>Week Seven Antianxiety Medications Antipsychotic Medications Chapters 16 & 17</p> <p>Week Eight Wrap Up Proficiency Exam # 3</p> <p>Week Nine Wrap up Presentations</p>
Additional Information	<p>Course Requirements:</p> <p><u>Course Attendance:</u> The University reserves the right to drop students who do not attend class the first two weeks of the term/semester. Students are expected to attend all class sessions of every course. In the case of unavoidable absence, the student must contact the instructor. The student is subject to appropriate academic penalty for incomplete or unacceptable makeup work, or for excessive or unexcused absences.</p>

Conduct:

Students enrolling in a degree program at Webster University assume the obligation of conducting themselves in a manner compatible with the University's function as an education institution. Misconduct for which students are subject to discipline may be divided into the following categories:

1. All forms of dishonesty, cheating, plagiarism, or knowingly furnishing false information to the University.
2. Obstruction or disruption of teaching, research, administration, disciplinary procedures, or other University activities or of other authorized activities on University premises.
3. Classroom disruption. Behavior occurring within the academic arena, including but not limited to classroom disruption or obstruction of teaching, is within the jurisdiction of Academic Affairs. In case of alleged campus and/or classroom disruption or obstruction, a faculty member and/or administrator may take immediate action to restore order and/or to prevent further disruption (e.g. removal of student[s] from class or other setting). Faculty members have original jurisdiction to address the immediacy of a situation, as they deem appropriate. When necessary and appropriate, Public Safety and/or the local [or military] police may be contacted to assist with restoring peace and order. Faculty response is forwarded to the academic dean (or his or her designee) for review and, if necessary, further action. Further action might include permanent removal from the course. Repeated offenses could lead to removal from the program and/or the University.
4. Theft of or damage to property of the University. Students who cheat or plagiarize may receive a failing grade for the course in which the cheating or plagiarism took place.

Students who engage in any of the above misconducts may be subject to dismissal from the University on careful consideration by the executive vice president of the University or his designee. To the extent that penalties for any of these misconducts (e.g. theft or destruction of property) are prescribed by law, the University will consider appropriate action under such laws.

Students are subject to the Student Code of Conduct and Judicial Procedure described in the Online Student Handbook.

Course Contact Hours:

Unless a course has enrolled fewer than four students, faculty has a contractual obligation to meet the full complement of contact/meeting hours (36 for graduate courses). Not to meet this full complement of hours

may be construed as a breach of contract and may also endanger Webster University's accreditation by The Higher Learning Commission, a commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, and its licensure by the State. Finally, course meetings which are missed for any reason must be made up.

Determination of Grades is Based On the Following Criteria:

Minimum Requirements:

Products (papers, case studies, projects) must be on time, in the correct format, corrected for spelling and grammar, appropriate materials included and referenced to-the-point and on topic and conclusions must be supported.

Examinations must be complete, accurate, neat, evidence clear thought, and exhibit concise and to-the-point responses.

Behavior in class discussions and group activities should be responsible, should exhibit open communication, be constructive, and helpful.

Mastery Level (Grade of "B"): Professional Achievement

Products must meet the requirements stated above for minimum requirements and additionally meet professional criteria. For example, documentation should be included to support research papers, the APA format should be used consistently throughout the paper, and substantially more than the minimum number of references should be included. Presentations should be logical, organized, and comprehensive.

Examinations should be organized, in depth, comprehensive, logical and complete, and evidence thorough understanding of the subject /topic through application of principles.

Classroom behavior should exhibit very focused activity and thought on the subject at hand, be motivated, and assist in discovery of new insights and relationships concerning the subject/topic of discussion.

Mastery Level Plus (Grade of "A"): Creative Achievement

Products must meet all requirements stated above and additionally meet creative criteria. These criteria include unique topic or subject selection, synthesis of ideas, evaluation of subject matter and positions found in the literature, be creative in approach, establish new relationships with ideas and provide new insights.

Examination responses indicate insightfulness of understanding, a synthesis of information and unique ideas, and rationale for application of principles following careful analysis.

Classroom behavior should exhibit very focused activity and thought on the subject at hand, be motivated, and assist in discovery of new insights and relationships concerning the subject/topic of discussion.

The grade of “A” represents the best work of students, accomplished in a unique and professional manner.

Note:

To achieve the objectives of this course, this syllabus may be revised at the discretion of the instructor without prior notification or consent of the student.

For Webster University policies and procedures, please refer to the Catalog and Student Handbook. If you have a documented disability as described in Section 504 of the 1973 Rehabilitation Act of the Americans with Disability Act (ADA), you can contact our campus administrator at 502-896-1835.