Purpose:
It is imperative for Mental Health Counselors and Substance Abuse Professionals to have expert knowledge and skills to use in their practice of counseling. Practices that affect client progress and eventual successful outcome in the therapy process should be integrated in the theoretical philosophy of the counselor. Therapists must be comfortable with their personal beliefs and understand the processes of change, as well as become familiar with a variety of counseling techniques based on empirically based theories.

Course Description:
Inquiry into abnormal behavior, its categories, causes, and treatments.

Course Objectives:
1) Define abnormal behavior
2) Distinguish between multidimensional vs. unidimensional models of causality.
3) Explain the nature and purposes of psychiatric diagnosis and how the DSM-IV-TR is used to help therapists and counselors make an accurate psychiatric diagnosis.
4) Describe the basic components of research

Required Text:
Casebook in Abnormal Psychology. Brown and Durand. 4th Edition. The ISBN is 0495604380. You MUST have the case study book with you on the first day of class. No exceptions. 5 points will be deducted from your grade if you do not bring your book to class.
Electronic books are not allowed for this class.

Evaluation and Course Policies:

**IF you are not able to attend the first class meeting....DO NOT enroll in this class.
***The first EVENING class meeting will be October 29th!!***
*The first MORNING class meeting for this class will be November 2nd!*
Students are expected to attend class and participate in discussion. Missing one class will cost you points. Missing 2 classes will cost you one letter grade. Missing 3 classes will earn you an automatic failing grade for the course.

Incompletes are given only for extenuating circumstances.

Late papers will only earn 50% of the available points. All papers must be typed and ready to be handed in at the beginning of the class. No exceptions.

Grading:

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Academic Integrity Policy:

The Doane College Academic Integrity Policy will be adhered to in this class. All projects and tests will represent your own work. Any use of others’ ideas and words without proper citation of sources is plagiarism and will result in penalties to be determined by the instructor and/or the dean of undergraduate studies.