



PSY 640: Professional Issues and Ethics in Clinical Psychology

Course Code PSY-640	Course Title Professional Issues and Ethics in Clinical Psychology	Credits (ECTS) 7.5
Department Psychology	Semester Fall	Prerequisites None
Type of Course Major Elective	Field Clinical Psychology	Language of Instruction English
Level of Course Graduate	Year of Study 1st and 2nd	Lecturer Dr. Xenia Georgiadou
Mode of Delivery face-to-face	Work Placement N/A	Co-requisites None
Course Days/Times Mo 15.00-18.00	Course Venue A 205	Student Consultation Hrs Mo:10-12, Tu:11-12, Wed:14-16
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Objectives of the Course:

The main objectives of the course are to:

- provide students with a broad overview and general understanding of the many ethical questions and dilemmas that clinical psychologists encounter
- familiarize the students with the role of ethical behavior and decision making
- help students clarify and understand how their own values impact on the ethical choices they will be called to make on their everyday clinical practice

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

1. identify the major components of ethical codes for psychologists.
2. respond to ethical dilemmas by a decision-making process.
3. understand how their value system is likely to impact therapeutic practice

Course Contents:

1. Introduction to Professional Ethics
2. The Clinical Psychologist as a person and as a professional
3. Values and the Helping Relationship- Ethics, Values, Laws
4. American Psychological Association (2002). Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct- General Principles.
The British Psychological Society (2000). Code of Conduct, Ethical

<p>Principles & Guidelines</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Resolving Ethical Issues 6. Privacy and Confidentiality: ethical and legal issues 7. Human Relations- Client Rights and Counselor Responsibilities 8. Professional competence and training 9. Therapy- Managing Boundaries and Multiple Relationships 10. Education and training- Issues in Supervision and Consultation 11. Ethical Issues in Couple, Family Therapy, and Group Work 12. Record keeping and fees 13. Research and Publications <p>Please be aware that some of the course content may change depending on the class needs.</p>

Teaching Methods:

Lectures, assignments, final examination
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Assessment Methods:

Article Summaries	
Individual Paper	
Final Examination	
Attendance and Participation	
Total	

Required Textbooks:

Authors	Title	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Corey, G., Corey, M.S., & Callanan, P.	Issues and Ethics in the Helping Professions International Edition	Brooks/Cole Cengage Learning	2011 (8th Ed.)	978-0-495- 90468-7
American Psychological Association	Ethical Principles of Psychologists and Code of Conduct	American Psychological Association	2002	
The British Psychological Society	Code of Conduct, Ethical Principles & Guidelines	The British Psychological Society	2000	
A package of articles prepared by the instructor				