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ΠΑΝΕΠΙΣΤΗΜΙΟ ΛΕΥΚΩΣΙΑΣ

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Course Code SOWK- 403	Course Title Social work in Health Settings	Credits (ECTS) 6
Department Social Sciences	Semester Spring,	Prerequisites SOWK-210-220-230
Type of Course Major Requirement	Field Social Work	Language of Instruction Greek
Level of Course 1st Cycle	Year of Study 4 th	Lecturer Dr Panayiotopoulos Christos
Mode of Delivery face-to-face	Work Placement N/A	Co-requisites None

Objectives of the Course:

The main objectives of the course are to:

1. Make students aware of different health systems
2. Understand the role of social workers in a multiprofessional setting
3. Introduce students to the various areas of health care in social welfare (cancer, HIV/AIDS, mental health , chronic illness)
4. Thoroughly discuss the debate of whether social work is a health related profession or not
5. Provide students with deep knowledge of mental disorders

Learning Outcomes:

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

1. Demonstrate competence on assessing mental state of a patient with chronic illness
2. Design and develop programmes for helping families of mental health patients and supporting patients with chronic illness
3. Associate theory with practice as to offer the best result for your clients
4. Measure psychosocial state of patients through the application of clinical tools and evaluate their input through the process of social, vocational integration
5. Select the rights that promote and enhance clients' rights in the health care sector
6. research attitudes of people and quality of life of patients in various areas of health s y s t e m

Course Contents:

1. Introduction: attitudes, opinions and theoretical framework about health and illness. The passage from health intervention to care for the development of health. Social Work input Τι είναι ασθένεια, τύποι ασθενειών (ιάσιμες, ανίατες)
 - Fear and Myths
 - Social work as a health profession
 - Supervision
2. Structure and functions of health care systems. The role of social work in National Health Care Systems and networking of health services with social welfare services
3. Comparative presentation of different health care systems
 - Greece (Psychiatric Reform)
 - England and the Nordic countries
 - Cyprus

Crisis interventions. Developmental stages of chronic illness and palliative care.

 - Grief
 - Family environment and support of the person who is dying
4. Children and chronic illness .Learning process while the child is away from the school
5. Multiprofessional practice. Working together environment
6. Asylums and community mental health units.
 - Community Units
 - Legislation
7. Psychosocial aspects of cancer
 - The role of family in psychosocial support, social networks, and psychosocial education.
 - Groups of psychoeducation
8. International Classification of Diseases, ICD-10 and the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, DSM-IV). (20.12.2010)
 - Clinical Assessment Tools (GAF, WHOQualBREF ,GHQ , Family Burden)

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Lectures, Workshops (role playing), Case Analysis, Movies

Assessment Methods:

Homework, Mid-Term, Final Exam/Project
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Required Textbooks/Reading:

Authors	Title	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Notes and handouts				

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Authors	Title	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Derek Tilbury.	Working with mental illness : a community-based approach	Basingstoke : Palgrave.	2002	0333947339 : 15.00
Τσιάντης, Γιάννης.	Ψυχική υγεία του παιδιού και της οικογένειας	Αθήνα: Καστανιώτη.	1988.	9600338000 (set)
Gray, Gay.	Η προαγωγή της ψυχικής και συναισθηματικής υγείας στο σχολείο : εγχειρίδιο για εκπαιδευτικούς .	Αθήνα : Ελληνικά Γράμματα.	2000.	9603931780 8.00
Colin Pritchard.	Practicing mental health social work	New York : Routledge	2006	0415319013