Course Prefix/Number: _SWK 3325_  Course Title: __Psychopathology & Social Work Practice__

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Sponsoring Department: _ASBS________________________

To request approval to offer a course online, complete and sign this form. Include:

1. The course syllabus, with student learning outcomes; the current or proposed catalog description;
2. A narrative that describes: details of how you plan to deliver content in a manner appropriate to the online environment, course activities, learning assessments, and opportunities for student engagement. The narrative must address the following:
   a. Design features that support student learning in a format appropriate to the online environment
   b. Strategies for engaging students with meaningful, interactive activities
   c. Strategies for communicating with and among students
   d. Strategies for assessing student learning outcomes, including methods to ensure procedural integrity

This form and attached materials should be sent to the Chair of AAC in electronic form (a single file is preferred). Two copies of the form and attached materials (with Applicant and Department Chairperson signatures) should be submitted via campus mail to the Chair of AAC.

Signatures:

Department Chairperson: ____________________________ Date: ________________

Chairperson, AAC: ________________________________ Date: ________________

Dean of Record: __________________________________ Date: ________________

The process for online approvals is via Department Chair, AAC, and Dean (this Expedited Approval process is consistent with the CBA). Online approvals should be submitted prior to the listing of a course in WebAdvisor. Once a course is approved for online, any qualified faculty may teach the course. Courses under special topics (or 2255/4455) should be submitted on a topic-by-topic basis.

Use this form to request online status for an existing course (one already approved through the regular curricular process). If you are proposing to create a new course for online delivery, the new course forms should accompany this form.

(Approved by Senate 12/08/2011)
Narrative

Course activities, learning assessments, and opportunities for student engagement are all designed to make optimal use of the online learning environment. Weekly work will be posted to Desire2Learn, along with instructions for completing it. Types of work that will be required will include watching instructor-developed screencasts, exploring websites, reading from the syllabus and other selected articles; viewing of videos that illustrate key concepts, responding to discussion board scenarios, completing weekly quizzes and using the dropbox to submit assignments and weekly exercises.

Design features that support student learning in a format appropriate to the online environment:

This course features the following design elements that support student learning in the online environment. These will additionally serve to engage students in meaningful, interactive activities:

1. Weekly online assignments/participation, which includes but is not limited to brief quizzes, case study analysis, responses to discussion board postings, sharing thoughts with peers, and reactions to assigned readings and websites using the 3-2-1 method (students describe three most important concepts, identify two aspects they don’t understand, and pose one question to the textbook’s authors).
2. The use of the internet to explore a randomly assigned diagnosis
3. The creation of an electronic tool to share what is learned about a diagnosis with peers.
4. The locating of a pertinent electronic content clip on an assigned treatment modality.
5. The critical thinking process of personally developing an approach to clients with mental health issues.

Strategies for communicating with and among students will include:

1. Presence of online office hours and use of the electronic gradebook
2. Weekly feedback on online assignments/participation
3. Requirement that students provide feedback to peers
4. Educating of peers via “share what you know” assignment

Strategies for assessing student learning outcomes, including methods to ensure procedural integrity will include:

1. Rubrics will be provided to students for each major assignment.
2. Screencasts will be posted weekly to provide further support for students.
3. Expectations will be clearly outlined in the course materials.
4. Regular check-ins with students will be held to insure progress towards learning outcomes.
5. The syllabus will be followed to insure procedural integrity.