

SWK555 Addiction Intervention I: Substance Abuse

Level: 5

Credit Units: 5 Credit Units

Language: ENGLISH

Presentation Pattern: EVERY JAN

Synopsis:

Addiction I: Substance Abuse is designed to prepare students for the realities of working with clients affected by substance addiction and abuse. It provides the necessary tools to translate addiction theory into practice intervention. It presents the range of established theoretical perspectives including the moral model, the medical model, the disease concept and the 12-step ecological social work approach. The range of treatment modalities in substance addiction including individual, group and family treatment will be addressed.

Topics:

- Overview of substance abuse
- Abuse of hard drugs
- Alcohol abuse
- Abuse of prescription drugs
- Nicotine abuse
- Care of family members and significant others
- Treatment models

Textbooks:

: Handbook of Addictive Disorders, A Practical Guide to Diagnosis and Treatment. (2004), by Robert Holman Coombs (Editor). John Wiley & Sons
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Learning Outcome:

- Examine substance abuse both in the local context and internationally.
- Compare the differences in addiction in adolescents, women and the elderly as well as social cultural factors associated with it.
- Discuss HIV/AIDS and mental disorders in substance use and on addiction treatment.
- Appraise the stages and the models of substance addiction, including the legal implications of its effects on the families.
- Evaluate the various treatment models, care as well as involvement of families in addiction intervention.
- Analyse the ethical issues involved in treatment.

Assessment Strategies:

Continuous Assessment Component	Weightage (%)
TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT	50
Sub-Total	50

Examinable Component	Weightage (%)
Written Exam	50
Sub-Total	50

Weightage Total **100**