COURSE INFORMATION FORM

DISCIPLINE: Criminal Justice

COURSE TITLE: Family Violence and Sexual Abuse

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CATALOG DESCRIPTION

Introduction to concepts related to interpersonal violence. Categories of abuse studied are spousal, child, sibling, ritual, elderly, gay and lesbian. The course emphasizes legal, social and psychological aspects of abuse.

PREREQUISITES

None

EXPECTED STUDENT OUTCOMES IN THE COURSE

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Analyze relationships using the concepts of cycle of violence, power and control and equality
2. Explain types of abuse and characteristics of the battered and batterer
3. Describe how law enforcement addresses interpersonal violence of the child, adult or elderly person
4. List factors and state theories explaining family violence
5. Identify court cases related to parental severance and removal of child from the home
6. State the role and the process of the criminal justice system in addressing crimes of interpersonal violence
CLASS-LEVEL ASSESSMENT MEASURES

Student accomplishment of expected student outcomes will be assessed using the following measures. (Identify which measures are used to assess which outcomes.)

- Group Assignments (1)
- Film Critiques (papers) (2)
- Quizzes and Exams (1-6)

PROGRAM-LEVEL OUTCOMES ADDRESSED

General Education Outcomes
Specify which general education outcomes, if any, are substantially addressed by the course by completing the “Course/Program Assessment Matrix” to show the relationship between course and program outcomes and assessment measures.

Occupational Program Outcomes
Specify which occupational program outcomes, if any, are substantially addressed by the course by completing the “Course/Program Assessment Matrix” to show the relationship between course and program outcomes to assessment measures.
Individual instructors may order this outline as fits the needs of their individual courses. In addition, they may place more emphasis on some areas than on others. What is assured is that this particular list is covered in the course. Other topics may be added to a course as the instructor sees fit, and as time and interest allow. An *asterisk can be used to mark an item as optional.

I. Characteristics of Family Violence
   A. Definition of Interpersonal Violence
   B. Cycle of Violence, Power and Control Wheel/Equality Wheel
   C. Characteristics of the batterer and the battered
   D. Theories related to Family Violence

II. Child Abuse
   A. Physical Abuse
   B. Child Sexual Abuse
   C. Child Neglect
   D. Sibling Abuse
   E. Ritualistic Abuse

III. Professionals and their Response to Abuse
   A. Reporting
   B. Interviewing
   C. Intervention

IV. Spousal Abuse
   A. Definition of Spousal Abuse
   B. Spousal Homicide
   C. Types of Spousal Abuse

V. The Criminal Justice Response to Spousal Abuse
   A. Extent of the problem
   B. Factors Affecting Police Response
   C. Restraining Orders

VI. Theories of Elder Abuse

VII. Gay and Lesbian Abuse
   A. History and Attitudes
   B. Nature and Scope of the Problem

VIII. Special Populations and Family Violence
   A. Family Violence in the Military
   B. Spiritual Abuse

IX. Women and Sexual Violence
   A. Marital and Acquaintance Rape
   B. Stranger Rape

X. Stalking and Victim's Rights
   A. Types of Stalking
   B. Stalking Laws
   C. Victim and Civil Litigation
   D. Compensation and restitution

XI. Consequences of Family Violence