**Course Syllabus: RSED 7010/7016**

**The Professional Practice of Rehabilitation Counseling**

**Department of Special Education, Rehabilitation, and Counseling**

**College of Education**

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**1. Course Number: RSED 7010/7016**

**Course Title:** The Professional Practice of Rehabilitation Counseling

**2. Credit Hours/Prerequisites:** 3 semester hours, Prerequisites: Graduate Standing

**3. Text(s):**

**Required:**

Tarvydas, V. & Hartley, M.T. (2017). *The professional practice of rehabilitation counseling* (2nd. Ed.). Springer Publishing Company.

American Psychological Association(2009). *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association*, (6th Ed.). Washington, DC: APA.

CRCC Code of Professional Ethics for Rehabilitation Counselors 2016 (Effective as of January 1, 2017.) <https://www.crccertification.com/code-of-ethics-4>

ACC Code of Ethics 2014; <http://www.counseling.org/docs/ethics/2014-aca-code-of-ethics.pdf?sfvrsn=4>

Kushner, Harold. (1983). *When bad things happen to good people***.** New

York: Avon.

Other journal articles and case studies as assigned in class.

**4. Course Description:** This course focuses on the history and development of the rehabilitation movement inclusive of its legal base, philosophies, concepts, and current trends. The rehabilitation process and its application are examined from the perspective of the person with a disability and the rehabilitation professional. The relationship between the rehabilitation professional and the person with a disability is explored in terms of confidentiality and ethical conduct and the uniqueness of the rehabilitation process including the CRCC Code of Professional Ethics. Students will acquire a perspective of how assistive technology(AT) can be useful in their work, recreation, transportation, and home environments when providing services to persons with disabilities.

**5. Course Objectives: Upon completion of this course, students will be able to demonstrate these knowledge and skills related to these objectives.**

1. History and philosophy of the counseling profession and its specialty areas (CACREP.2. F. 1 .a)
2. The multiple professional roles and functions of counselors across specialty areas, and their relationships with human service and integrated behavioral health care systems, including interagency and inter-organizational collaboration and consultation (CACREP 2.F.1.b)
3. Advocacy process needed to address institutional and social barriers that impede access, equity, and success for clients (CACREP 2.F.1.e)
4. Professional organizations, including membership benefits, activities, services to members, and current issues (CACREP.2. F. 1. f)
5. Professional counseling credentialing, including certification, licensure, and accreditation practices and standards, and the effects of public policy on these issues (CACREP 2. F.1.g)
6. The role and process of the professional counselor advocating on behalf of the profession (CACREP II.F.1.d)
7. Ethical standards of professional counseling organizations and credentialing bodies, and applications of ethical and legal considerations in professional counseling (CACREP 2.F.1.i)
8. The importance of research in advancing the counseling profession, including how to critique research to inform counseling practice (CACREP II.F.8.a)
9. Technology’s impact on the counseling profession (CACREP 2.F.1.j)
10. The role of counseling supervision in the profession (CACREP II.F.1.m)
11. The effects of power and privilege for counselors and clients (CACREP 2.F.2.e)
12. Strategies for identifying and eliminating barriers, prejudices, and processes of intentional and unintentional oppression and discrimination (CACREP 2.F.2.h)

**Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling**

1. History and development of rehabilitation counseling (CACREP 5.D.1.a)
2. Theories and models related to rehabilitation counseling (CACREP 5.D.1.b)
3. Screening and assessment instruments that are reliable and valid for individuals with disabilities (CACREP 5.D.1.g)
4. Roles and settings of rehabilitation counselors (CACREP 5.D.2.a)
5. Relationships between clinical rehabilitation counselors and medical and allied health professionals, including interdisciplinary treatment teams (CACREP 5.D.2.b)
6. Rehabilitation service delivery systems, including housing, independent living, case management, public benefits programs, educational programs, and public/proprietary vocational rehabilitation programs (CACREP 5.D.2.c)
7. Rehabilitation counseling services within the continuum of care, such as inpatient, outpatient, partial hospitalization and aftercare, and the rehabilitation counseling services networks (CACREP 5.D.2.d)
8. Effects of discrimination, such as handicapism (sic), ableism, and power, privilege, and oppression on clients’ life and career development (CACREP 5.D.2.k)
9. Environmental, attitudinal, and individual barriers for people with disabilities (CACREP 5.D.2.p)
10. Assistive technology to reduce or eliminate barriers and functional limitations (CACREP 5.D.2.q)
11. Legislation and government policy relevant to rehabilitation counseling (CACREP 5.D.2.r)
12. Professional organizations, preparation standards, and credentials relevant to the practice in rehabilitation counseling (CACREP 5.D.2.v)
13. Legal and ethical considerations specific to clinical rehabilitation counseling (CACREP 5.D.2.w)

**6. COURSE CONTENT**

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| **Class** | **TOPICS** | **READING ASSIGNMENTS** | **CACREP STANDARDS** |
| **1**  **Aug. 22** | Introduction and Course Overview | Review Syllabus and course requirements |  |
| **2**  **Aug.**  **29** | Professional Orientation  Counseling/Rehabilitation Counseling;  Professional Competencies  Professional Credentialing | Read: T&H  Chapt Ch. 1, 2, & 3  D | 2.F.1.a; 2.F.1.b; 2.F.1.f.; 2.F.1.g  5.D.2.v |
| **3**  **Sep. 5** | History of Rehab & Counseling;  Concepts and Models of Rehab;  Disability Policy & Law | T&H  Ch. 4, 5, & 6 | 2.F.1.a; 5.D.1.a; 5.D.1.b; 5.D.2.r;  5.D.2.w |
| **4**  **Sep. 12** | The Person with a Disability; Family & Relationships | T&H  Ch. 7 & 8 | 5.D.2.a; 5.D.2.b; |
| **5**  **Sep. 19** | The Person with a Disability;  Family & Relationships | T&H  Ch. 7 & 8 | 5.D.2.a; 5.D.2.b; |
| **6**  **Sep. 22** | Disability Rights &  Disability Issues – Globally  **Reaction Analysis to *When Bad Things Happen to Good People*** | T&H  Ch. 9 & 10 | 5.D.2.k; 5.D.2.p |
| **7**  **Sep. 26** | General Assessment; & Counseling | T&H  Ch. 11 & 12 | 5.D.1.g. |
| **8**  **Oct. 3** | **Mid-term** | **Mid-term exam** | **Above CACREP standards are addressed here.** |
| **9**  **Oct. 17** | Case Management; &  Advocacy | T&H  Ch. 13 & 14 | 5.D.2.c; 5.D.2.d  2.F.1.e; 2.F.1.d |
| **10**  **Oct. 24** | Career Development; &  Forensic Services | T&H  Ch. 15 & 16 | 5.D.3.b |
| **11**  **Oct. 31** | Ethics and Ethical  Decision Making | T&H  Ch. 17 | 2.F.1.i; 2.F.2.e; 2.F.2.h |
| **12**  **Nov. 14** | Cultural Competence & Social Justice;  EBPs & Research | T&H  Ch. 18 & 19 | 5.D.2.k; 5.D.2.p;  2.F.8.a |
| **13**  **Nov. 21** | **Thanksgiving Break** |  |  |
| **14**  **Nov. 28** | Ethics in Rehabilitation & Counseling  **AT JOURNAL ARTICLES DUE (2)** | ACA Code of Ethics (2014)  CRCC Code of Ethics (2017) | 2.F.1.i; 2.F.2.e; 2.F.2.h |
| **15**  **Dec. 5** | Technology; & Supervision | T&H  Ch. 21 & 22 | 5.D.2,q.2.F.1j;2F.1m; |
| **16**  **Dec. 12** | **Final Examination** | **Final Examination** | **Above CACREP standards are addressed here** |

\**The schedule is not binding* *and thus* *may be changed at the discretion of the instructor as necessary.*

1. **COURSE REQUIREMENTS, ASSIGNMENTS, AND EVALUATION PROCEDURES:**
2. **Instructional Method:** Instructional methodologies employed in this course will be lecture, discussion, and critiques.
3. **Course Requirements**
4. **General Course Requirements:** Each student will be held responsible for **all** of the information in the textbook and readings assigned for the course. The student should read assigned material appropriate to the topic to be discussed **prior** to class meetings.
5. **Two Exams**: There will be two objective examinations. Examinations will we administered electronically via canvas for all students. All examinations must be submitted by the conclusion of the on-campus examination window. For on-campus students, examinations will be administered in a university computer lab adjacent to the classroom. The DE exams will be supervised by a proctor. **Exams will be worth 20 points each.**
6. **Each student will be required to keep a journal**, with a minimum of one

entry per class period, of newspaper, magazine, electronic media, or other

suitable articles relating to persons with disabilities or issues related to

persons with disabilities. Twice during the semester, I will review your

journal. In addition, each person will be required to share with the class a

minimum of 3-5 articles during the semester. **The Journal will be worth 20 points.**

1. **Assistive Technology (AT) Articles (2):** Students will find two professional journal articles on assistive technology and summarize them. The summary will be two (2) pages in length and taken from journals relating to Assistive Technology, Rehabilitation Counseling, Education, Employment, or recreation/leisure devices utilizing AT. APA format is required. **The AT article summaries are worth 20 points, 10 points for each summary.**
2. **Reaction Analysis for When Bad Things Happen to Good People. The reaction analysis is worth 20 points**

G. **Grading and Evaluation:** Final grades are based on the following:

* Examinations = 40 points (20 points each)
* Journal = 20 points
* Reaction Analysis = 20 points
* AT Journal Articles = 20 points (10 points each)
* **TOTAL = 100 points**

**The grading scale is:**

**92 - 100 = A, 84 - 91 = B, 76 - 83 = C, 68 - 75 = D, Below 68 =F**

7. Course Requirements/Evaluation (Cont.)

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| Course Assignment | Due Date | Evaluation | CACREP Professional Standards |
| Examinations (2) |  | 40 pts | CACREP 2.F.1,a,b,d,e,f,g,I,j,m,  CACREP 2.F.2.e,h  CACREP 5.D.1.a,b,  CACREP 5.D.2.a,b,c,d,k,p,q,r,v,w |
| Paper: Journal |  | 20 pts. | CACREP 2.F.1.i  CACREP 2.F.2.h  CACREP 5.D.2.k  CACREP 5.D.2.w |
| Paper: Reaction Analysis |  | 20 pts | CACREP 2.F.1.j  CACREP 5.D.2.q |
| AT Journal Article Summaries (2) |  | 20 pts | CACREP 2.F.1.j  CACREP 5.D.2.q |
| Total Points: 100 |  |  |  |

1. **CLASS POLICY STATEMENTS:**

**Attendance:** Although attendance is not required, students are expected to attend all classes, and will be held responsible for any content covered in the event of an absence.

**Excused absences:** Students are granted excused absences from class for the following reasons: illness of the student or serious illness of a member of the student’s immediate family, the death of a member of the student’s immediate family, trips for student organizations sponsored by an academic unit, trips for university classes, trips for participation in intercollegiate athletic events, subpoena for a court appearance, and religious holidays. Students who wish to have an excused absence from class for any other reason must contact the instructor in advance of the absence to request permission. The instructor will weigh the merits of the request and render a decision. When feasible, the student must notify the instructor prior to the occurrence of any excused absences, but in no case shall such notification occur more than one week after the absence. Appropriate documentation for all excused absences is required.

**Make-up:** Arrangement to make up a missed major examination (e.g., hour exams, mid- term exams) due to properly authorized excused absences must be initiated by the student within one week of the end of the period of the excused absence(s). Except in unusual circumstances, such as the continued absence of the student or the advent of university holidays, a make-up exam will take place within two weeks of the date that the student initiates arrangements for it. Except in extraordinary circumstances, no make-up exams will be arranged the last three days before the final exam period begins.

**Assignments:** All assignments must be typed and prepared in a professional manner (i.e., neat, correct grammar, spelling), following APA guidelines. Assignments are due on the date noted in the syllabus. ***It is the student’s responsibility to contact the instructor if assignment deadlines are not met. Late assignments will be reduced by 1 point per day late, and only if prior arrangements have been made between the student and instructor.***

**Academic Honesty Policy:** All portions of the Auburn University academic policy will be upheld in this course. All academic honesty violations or alleged violations will be reported to the Office of the Provost, which will then refer the case to the Academic Honesty Committee.

**Disability Accommodations:** Students who need special accommodations in class, as provided by the Americans with Disabilities Act, should arrange for a confidential meeting with the instructor during office hours in the first week of classes (or as soon as possible if accommodations are needed immediately). If the student has not done so, they should make an appointment with the Office of Accessibility, 1228 Haley Center, 844- 2096 (V/TT).

**Course contingency:** If normal class and/or lab activities are disrupted due to illness, emergency, or crisis situation, the syllabus and other course plans and assignments may be modified to allow completion of the course. If this occurs, an addendum to your syllabus and/or course assignments will replace the original materials. Should the University suspend normal operations, please check e-mail for class e-mail’s and notices.

**Distance Learning Students:** Unless specific instructions have been given for a designated course, students in distance education courses shall take all closed resource examinations under the supervision of an approved proctor. Examples of approved proctors include a school superintendent, a principal of a high school, a dean or department head of a college, or a work supervisor. Proctors shall be verified and unless on CANVAS, exams shall be sent directly to the proctor who will manage the examination in a secure manner.

**Student Academic Grievance Policy:** The purpose of this university policy is to “resolve academic grievances of students, which results from actions of faculty or administration. This resolution should be achieved at the lowest level and in the most equitable way. The burden of proof rests with the complainants.”

**Professionalism:** As faculty, staff, and students interact in professional settings, they are expected to demonstrate professional behaviors as defined in the College’s conceptual framework. These professional commitments or dispositions are listed below:

* Engage in responsible and ethical professional practices
* Contribute to collaborative learning communities
* Demonstrate a commitment to diversity
* Model and nurture intellectual vitality

**Professional Behavior:** As students preparing to work within professional counseling settings it is expected that you demonstrate the appropriate professional behaviors that are discussed in program handbooks, policies, and professional standards.

* Demonstrate appropriate professional behavior in the classroom including appropriate use of technology
* Demonstrate respect for peers and faculty
* Demonstrate responsible behavior related to attending class, completing assignments and participating in your educational training

**Justification for Graduate Credit:**  This course includes advanced content on Rehabilitation Counseling. This includes content as specified by the Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Programs (CACREP, 2016) specific to *Professional Counseling Identity (Section 2.F. Professional Counseling Identity* and *Entry-level Specialty Areas – Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling (Section 5.B. Clinical Rehabilitation Counseling)*. All academic content approved by CACREP is for advanced Masters and/or Doctoral graduate study. This includes rigorous evaluation standards of students completing the student learning objectives specified in this syllabus.

***Contingency Plan includes the following:***

***Access to Course Content:***

All class lecture notes and PowerPoints will be posted to Canvas for all lectures presented in class. Audio can be added to each of the PowerPoint and other lecture notes as needed, and posted on Canvas.

***Completion of Assignments and Exams:***

Class lectures would be supplemented with reflection questions and activities that could be completed outside of class. In addition, a discussion group could be established in order to provide for greater interaction between the instructor and students with regard to the content.

Alternative assignments will be posted on Canvas for students and will be assigned as needed. All assignments will be submitted electronically.