

CPSE 702 - Phil/Thry Coun Psy

Fall 2017

Section 001: 343 MCKB on W from 12:30 pm - 2:50 pm

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Course Information

Materials

| Item | Price (new) | Price (used) |
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Learning Outcomes

Philosophical constructs

Strengthen understanding of philosophical constructs and their application to counseling psychology.

Integrated philosophy of science and practice

Develop an integrated philosophy of science and practice.

History/philosophy

Become familiar with the history and philosophy of counseling psychology.

Metatheoretical approach

Learn and apply a metatheoretical approach to critically analyzing theories of personality and treatment.

Personal bias implications

Understand the implications of one's philosophy and theory for multicultural issues in counseling.

Scholarly writing skills

Improve scholarly writing skills.

Academic presentation skills

Improve academic presentation skills.

Grading Scale

| Grades | Percent |
|--------|---------|
| A | 93% |
| A- | 90% |
| B+ | 87% |
| B | 83% |
| B- | 80% |
| C+ | 77% |
| C | 73% |

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| D+ | 67% |
| D | 63% |
| D- | 60% |
| E | 0% |

Assignments

Assignment Descriptions

I Haven't a Clue Paper

Sep
13

Due: Wednesday, Sep 13 at 12:30 pm

Write a brief paper defining a philosophical term with which you are unfamiliar. Cite your source(s). Describe how the construct might be applied in counseling psychology.

Philosophy Book Presentation

Oct
04

Due: Wednesday, Oct 04 at 12:30 pm

Read one of the philosophical works on the optional readings list and prepare a presentation for the class on the key points in the book and their implications for counseling psychology. Write a summary of key concepts and distribute it to the class prior to your presentation. The presentation will be graded for content, effectiveness, and style. You will also be graded on whether or not you read the entire book.

Below are some suggested books. You may also propose an alternative.

The triumph of the therapeutic, (1966) Phillip Rieff

The great psychotherapy debate, (2015) Bruce Wampold

I and thou, (1958) Martin Buber

Beyond freedom and dignity, (1971) B.F. Skinner

Otherwise than being, (1998) Immanuel Levinas

Cosmopolitanism: Ethics in a world of strangers, (2007) K. A. Appiah

Psychology for the other, (2002) Gantt & William (out of print)

Witnessing: Beyond recognition, (2001) Kelly Oliver

Critical thinking about psychology, (2004) Slife, Reber, & Richardson

Truth and method, (2004) Hans-Georg Gadamer

Psychology and the question of agency, (2003) Martin, Sugarman, & Thompson

Ethics and values in psychotherapy, (1999) A.C. Tjeltveit

Toward a philosophy of the act, (1993) Mikhail Bakhtin

Constructing the self, constructing America, (1996) Philip Cushman

Re-envisioning psychology, (1999) Richardson, Fowers, & Guignon

Relational Being, (2011) Kenneth Gergen

Virtue and Psychology, (2005) Blaine Fowers

Midterm Exam

Nov
01

Due: Wednesday, Nov 01 at 11:59 pm

The test will include both multiple choice and short essay questions taken from the readings, discussions, and

Theory Discussion

**Nov
08**

Due: Wednesday, Nov 08 at 11:59 pm

Lead a discussion of a theorist of your choice. Use the Levels of Explanation model as a metatheory to discuss the theory. Read at least one original work by the theorist and prepare a summary of key concepts and quotes for the rest of the class. If available, you might include a video demonstration of counseling according to the theory. Distribute the summary readings prior to the day you lead the discussion. The discussion should include (1) the basic tenets of the theory, (2) the philosophical assumptions of the theory—both personality theory and treatment theory, and (3) an analysis of the degree to which the theory is compatible with Christian and other theistic philosophies. The presentation will be graded for content, effectiveness, and style. You will also be graded on whether or not you read the entire book.

Professional Program Proposal

**Dec
13**

Due: Wednesday, Dec 13 at 11:59 pm

Work with your research team or on your own to author or co-author a proposal for the APA Convention or some other professional meeting. Turn in a copy of the proposal and the cover sheet.

Integration Paper

**Dec
13**

Due: Wednesday, Dec 13 at 11:59 pm

Write a final paper that addresses one of the following questions—(1) What do you see as one of the key philosophical/theoretical issues facing counseling psychologists today and what needs to be done to address the issue?, or (2) How have you integrated your professional philosophy with your theology? Illustrate this integration through an axiological analysis of both.

Papers should be written with meticulous attention to APA style.

Schedule

| Date | Column 1 | Column 2 | Presentations | Readings | Assignments |
|--------------------|----------|----------|---|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Week 1 | | | | | |
| W Sep 06 Wednesday | | | Introductions; Syllabus; Levels; Axiology https://ojs.lib.byu.edu/spc/index.php/IssuesInReligionAndPsychotherapy/issue/view/44 | | |
| Week 2 | | | | | |
| W Sep 13 Wednesday | | | Philosophical idols; Inherent assumptions | Slife (1999); Mintz, et al. (2009) | |
| Week 3 | | | | | |

W Sep 20 Wednesday

Agency

Williams,
2017;
Hansen
2017

Week 4

W Sep 27 Wednesday

Truth, Pain

Jackson
(2017)

Fischer
(2005)

Slife &
Reber
(2005)

Gantt
(2005)

Week 5

W Oct 04 Wednesday

Philosophy Book Presentations

Week 6

W Oct 11 Wednesday

Philosophy Book Presentations

Week 7

W Oct 18 Wednesday

Philosophy Book Presentation

Week 8

W Oct 25 Wednesday

Philosophy Book Presentation

Week 9

W Nov 01 Wednesday

Philosophy Book Presentation

Week 10

W Nov 08 Wednesday

Theory Discussion

Week 11

W Nov 15 Wednesday

Theory Discussion

Week 12

T Nov 21 Tuesday

**Friday
Instruction**

W Nov 22 Wednesday

**No
Classes**

Theory Discussion

Integration
Paper--1st
Draft Due

Week 13

10/19/17, 8:50 AM

Week 14

W Dec 06 Wednesday

Theory Discussion

Week 15

W Dec 13 Wednesday

Tying Up Loose Ends

Morrow
(2000)

Th Dec 14 Thursday

Week 16

W Dec 20 Wednesday

Th Dec 21 Thursday

Final
Exam:
343 MCKB
11:00am -
2:00pm