GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS Health and Human Services

COURSE SYLLABUS

COURSE NO:

ALC 720

COURSE TITLE:

Substance Abuse Prevention

CREDIT HOURS:

3 Units

INSTRUCTOR:

Gregory A. Blevins, Ph.D.

TRIMESTER:

Fall, 1985

FOR:

Graduate or Undergraduate

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Reviews historical developments in substance abuse prevention strategies. Planning, implementation, and evaluation of school-based and community-based prevention programs are discussed. Current prevention strategies are critically analyzed and future prospects for prevention programming are considered.

<u>COMPETENCIES</u>: Upon completion of this course, students should be able to:

- 1) Describe historical, social, and legal developments in substance abuse prevention.
- 2) Differentiate among various substance abuse strategies.
- 3) Evaluate substance abuse prevention programs according to criteria disseminated and discussed in class
- Apply substance abuse prevention concepts and strategies to the development of a prevention program.
- 5) Organize and deliver a class presentation focusing on an approved topic.

REOUIRED TEXT

Miller, P.M. and Nirenberg, T.D. <u>Prevention of Alcohol Abuse</u>, Plenum Press NY. 1984.



COURSE SCHEDULE:

September 4	Introduction and Overview of Course		
September 11	Elements of Prevention Planning	i-54	
September 18	Issues in Prevention Programming	55-96	
September 25	Status of Prevention	97-160	
October 2	Current Prevention Programs	161-252	
October 9	Current Prevention Programs	253-326	
October 16	Current Prevention Programs	503-510	
October 23 m	Examination		
October 30	College Student Programs Student Presentations	327-386	
November 6	Prevention in the Workplace Student Presentations	387-406	
November 13	Elementary School Programs Student Presentations	407-440	
November 20	Preventing Drunk Driving Student Presentations	441-468	Student Papers Due
November 27	Thanksgiving Recess		
December 4	Military Prevention Programs . Student Presentations	469-502	
December 11	Final Examination		

EVALUATION

25% of student's grade is based on first exam.
25% of student's grade is based on final exam.
20% of student's grade is based on term paper.
20% of student's grade is based on class presentation.
10% of student's grade is based on attendance.

TERM_PAPER

each student is required to submit a term paper focusing on a topic of relevance to the course. This paper <u>must</u> be typed, double-spaced, using APA style. There is no minimum or maximum length requirement. The term paper shall be graded on the following criteria:

Relevance Organization Mechanics

CLASS PRESENTATIONS

Students are expected to form groups and develop a group presentation before the class on some aspect of substance abuse prevention. The groups should begin forming with the first class meeting. Group presentation topics must be submitted no later than September 25. Depending on the number of groups, each group is responsible for developing a 1-2 hour presentation on the topic of their choice. The use of audio-visuals, class participation, resource speakers, etc. is encouraged in planning group presentations.

Each group presentation will be graded on the following criteria:

Relevance Organization Clarity Style

In addition, each group member will be asked to rate the participation of his/her fellow group members in preparing and delivering the group presentation. These intra-group ratings will be used to adjust individual group member grades upwards or downwards from the group grade.

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