CSAD 145, Supervised Field Observations
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COURSE #: CSAD 145
TITLE: Supervised Field Observations
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PLACE OF COURSE IN PROGRAM

This supervised, clinical observation course is placed in the curriculum at the junior level to enable the beginning speech pathology and/or audiology major to be introduced to the clinical aspects of the program/field.

SPECIFIC STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

Students enrolled in this course will:

1. Prepare for their first clinical practicum experience by observing a wide spectrum of diagnostic and treatment therapy sessions.
2. View 25 of the 25 hours of observation as required by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. These observation hours must be completed before enrollment in clinical methods and clinical practicum courses.
3. Take notes on their observations following a designated format.
4. Track observation hours and keep accurate records of observation hours.
5. Orally discuss professional behavior, professional ethics, and client confidentiality.
6. Identify, in writing, the components of a goal, reinforcers and reinforcement techniques, teaching techniques, and materials.
7. Participate in class discussions about current and appropriate diagnostic and therapy techniques.

These learning outcomes will be assessed through weekly written video critiques, classroom discussion, weekly written assignments, and written examinations. Examinations are unlikely, but not ruled out.

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COURSE REQUIREMENTS

1. Attendance at Class

Attendance at all class periods is a requirement, as that is where you will receive the majority of your observation hours. If you are late for class, you must report to the instructor when you arrive. If you are more than fifteen minutes late, you will not receive credit for an observation for that day. You are required to obtain 25 hours of observation for this class.

2. Class Video Observations (approximately 1500 minutes or 25 hours)

During class periods a videotape will be shown demonstrating some aspects of speech, language or hearing assessment or therapy. Some client history and therapy techniques demonstrated on the videotape will be discussed in class. Following the class, each student will complete and submit an Observation Critique Form. You must also bring the Cumulative Observation Hour Form to each class meeting to document the observation description. You will turn in the Cumulative Observation Hour Form on the last day of class. I will approve your total hours, file the form in your student file, and provide a photo copy to you for your records.

* Videos will be shown in class for 110 minutes
* The first class will offer 70 minutes of observation time

--To get credit for observations you must:
  * be in class (i.e., class attendance is required and will be taken)
  * submit an Observation Critique on the day that it is due

**You will receive credit for only the minutes and hours observed.

Therefore, if you are late for class you will earn only the number of minutes present.

3. Additional Observations

Up to 220 minutes of in-class observation time may be completed outside of class. Outside observations can be completed:

- In a local facility providing speech and language therapy: hospitals, schools, private clinics or in home based therapy, when observing a Speech and Language Pathologist (SLP) with proof of a valid California state license and Certificate of Clinical Competence (CCC) from ASHA. CA license numbers and CCC’s number of the observed SLP must be provided. Record of all observations for which you may receive must be documented and signed by the supervising SLP on the Non-Class Observation Hours form.
- Through Master Clinician Network: You will need a student membership to access videos on Master Clinician Network: http://masterclinician.org/
Master Clinician Network requires you to pay an annual fee when you register on their website. MCL is an optional, non-obligatory way of receiving hours. You are NOT required to join MCL. Hours should be documented on the Non-Class Observation Hours form and will be signed by the instructor at the end of the semester.

4. **Grading**

   - **TO RECEIVE CREDIT for this course you must:**
     * Document 1500 minutes of observation through hour’s sheets and systematic observation forms.
     * Complete and submit all in-class and non-class observation critiques on time.
     * Keep and submit a record of all observations for which you may receive credit on the appropriate Cumulative Hours form(s).

5. **Add/Drop**

   University policies for add-drop will be followed. These policies can be found in the CSUS Catalog and Schedule.