



# STARK STATE COLLEGE

## GENERAL SYLLABUS

### Course Information

**Course Name:** Psychological Aspects of Therapy  
**Course Number:** PSY222

### Required Materials

**Textbook(s):** Edward Neurug (2021). *Skills and Techniques for Human Service Professionals: Counseling Environment, Helping Skills, Treatment Issues*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. Cognella.

**Required Readings:**

- Additional Materials:**
1. Daffin, A. B. a. L. W., Jr. (n.d.). Module 8: Somatic Symptom and Related Disorders – Fundamentals of Psychological Disorders. <https://opentext.wsu.edu/abnormal-psych/chapter/module-8-somatic-symptom-and-related-disorders/>
  2. Professional, C. C. M. (n.d.). Factitious Disorders. Cleveland Clinic. <https://my.clevelandclinic.org/health/diseases/9832-an-overview-of-factitious-disorders>  
<https://www.nimh.nih.gov/health/topics/borderline-personality-disorder>
  3. World Health Organization: WHO. (2022). Child maltreatment. www.who.int. <https://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/child-maltreatment>
  4. Child abuse, neglect data released. (n.d.). The Administration for Children and Families. <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/media/press/2020/2020/child-abuse-neglect-data-released> <https://www.cacmercer.org/recognize-the-signs-of-physical-abuse/>
  5. poeticcarolyn. (2014, October 3). Domestic Violence. . . .Through Their Eyes [Video]. YouTube. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uZFZOjU-z3I>

**Course Outline/Calendar**

The date of coverage and order of coverage may be modified based on the faculty member and events beyond the control of faculty members that interfere with class times and teaching.

**16-week Calendar**

Week	Chapter/Topic/Lab
1	Course overview Chapter 1 Eight Characteristics of the Effective Helper
2	Chapter 2 Entering the Agency
3	Chapter 3 Foundational Skills
4	Chapter 4 Essential Skills
5	Chapter 5 Commonly Used Skills
6	Chapter 6 Information Gathering and Solution-Focused Questions
7	Chapter 7 Advanced Skills and Specialized Training
8	Cultural Competence Chapter 9 Culturally Competent Helping
9	Working with People with Mental Illness Psychology 2e, OpenStax, Chapter 15
10	Working with Individuals with Substance Abuse Problems Psychology 2e, OpenStax, Chapter Chapter 4
11	Challenging Patients
12	Child Maltreatment
13	Domestic Violence
14	Working with Elderly and End of Life Issues

<b>Week</b>	<b>Chapter/Topic/Lab</b>
15	Chapter 10 Ethical Issues and Ethical Decision-Making
16	Final Project

8-week Calendar

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6	Challenging Patients Child Maltreatment
7	Domestic Violence Working with Elderly and End of Life Issues Psychology 2e, OpenStax, Chapter 9
8	Chapter 10 Ethical Issues and Ethical Decision-Making Final Project