



EFFECTIVE: JANUARY 2012 CURRICULUM GUIDELINES

A. Division: **Academic** Effective Date: **January 2012**

B. Department / Program Area: **Faculty of Child, Family and Community Studies**
Child and Youth Care Counsellor Revision New Course

If Revision, Section(s) Revised: **F, G, H**

Date of Previous Revision: **December 2010**

Date of Current Revision: **September 2011**

C: **CYCC 1240** D: **Practicum** E: **4.5**

Subject & Course No.	Descriptive Title	Semester Credits
F:	Calendar Description: This course provides opportunities for students to translate theory into practice. Students will practice skills in selected sites under supervision. Students will integrate and reflect upon their educational, personal and professional experiences in practicum and seminar. Students who complete CYCC 1240 will not receive additional credit for CYCC 1242 or CFCS 1242.	
G:	Allocation of Contact Hours to Type of Instruction / Learning Settings Primary Methods of Instructional Delivery and/or Learning Settings: 1. Supervised Practicum 2. Integrative Seminar Number of Contact Hours: (per semester for each descriptor) Seminar: 10 hours Clinical: 140 hours Number of Weeks per Semester: 5 week block placement (full time) 5-10 weeks (part time)	
	H:	Course Prerequisites: CYCC 1141 (or CYCC 1142 or CFCS 1142 or CFCS 1160) and CFCS 1110 (or DVST 0356) and CFCS 1130 and one additional CYCC/CFCS course.
	I:	Course Corequisites: None
	J:	Course for which this Course is a Prerequisite CYCC 2440, CYCC 2450
	K:	Maximum Class Size: 30
L:	PLEASE INDICATE: Part of Block Transfer to Schools of Child and Youth Care at UVIC, UFV, Vancouver Island University; Bachelor of Professional Arts in Human Services degree program at Athabasca University; and Bachelor of Community Rehabilitation degree program at the University of Calgary. <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Credit <input type="checkbox"/> College Credit Non-Transfer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> College Credit Transfer: SEE BC TRANSFER GUIDE FOR TRANSFER DETAILS (www.bctransferguide.ca)	

M: Course Objectives / Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Professional Skills

- demonstrate ethical behaviour
- use supervision and colleagues effectively by seeking and accepting feedback
- demonstrate changes in performance asked on feedback
- evaluate and articulate personal strengths and set goals for development
- establish effective and professional working relationships with colleagues
- manage personal needs in relation to workplace and clients
- demonstrate mental and emotional well-being

2. Work Habits/Accountability

- complete assigned workload
- deal with time and stress pressures
(including keeping personal problems from affecting work)
- demonstrate appropriate work habits (punctuality, attendance, dress)
- maintain energy and enthusiasm
- demonstrate initiative and responsibility (i.e., learning, seeking out work during unstructured times)

3. Activity Programming

- design activity programming for a specific population of children and youth
- evaluate activity programming and develop new strategies for future sessions

4. Basic Knowledge of Agency and Community Resources

- demonstrate basic knowledge of the agency, its history, philosophy, organizational structure, funding programs, and personnel
- demonstrate basic knowledge of legislation affecting the agency and the people it serves
- demonstrate knowledge of community resources and the referral process

5. Interviewing & Counselling Skills

- be versatile by changing personal style and language to meet the unique needs of individual clients
- assess and understand client needs
- demonstrate empathy
- demonstrate genuineness
- communicate with clarity and precision
- use probing skills
- demonstrate assertiveness
- recognize and manage personal biases and assumptions
- describe a crisis and discuss problem solving strategies to support resolution of the crisis.

N: Course Content: The following global ideas guide the design and delivery of this course:

- **Learning from experience is a characteristic of exceptional practitioners.**
- **Practicum settings create opportunities for students to refine their skills of reflection and adaptation in response to their practice experience.**
- **Learning in a practicum setting provides opportunities to examine assumptions and biases.**
- **Field settings provide opportunities to synthesize personal and classroom experiences and create openings for new learning. Learners gain both insight and practice knowledge from field experiences.**
- **Observing, participating with, and receiving guidance from experienced practitioners is crucial for effective practice.**
- **Practitioners who regularly and accurately assess their performance and who set goals for their ongoing professional development are more likely to be effective in their work.**
- **A well-developed personal philosophy of practice is a cornerstone of competent human service practice.**
- **Experience in the field settings allows learners to demonstrate and enhance their abilities to problem solve, be flexible, think creatively and take responsibility for their actions.**
- **Reflecting on and evaluating practicum experiences with clients, colleagues and mentors maximizes field based learning experiences.**

O:	Methods of Instruction <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seminar/Field practice
P:	Textbooks and Materials to be Purchased by Students No text required
Q:	Means of Assessment: This course will conform to Douglas College policy regarding the number and weighting of evaluations. Typical means of evaluation would include a combination of: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Practice Reports• Self-Evaluation• Field Assessment This is a letter graded course.
R:	Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition: This course is available for PLAR.

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