

**New Course Request**

**Indiana University**

Indianapolis Campus

Check Appropriate Boxes: Undergraduate credit  Graduate credit  Professional credit

1. School/Division SHRS / Dept. of Health Sciences 2. Academic Subject Code SHRS

3. Course Number W562 (must be cleared with University Enrollment Services) 4. Instructor Elaine Voci

5. Course Title Psychological Aspects of Disability

Recommended Abbreviation (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_

(Limited to 32 Characters including spaces)

6. First time this course is to be offered (Semester/Year): Fall, 2009

7. Credit Hours: Fixed at 3 or Variable from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

8. Is this course to be graded S-F (only)? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

9. Is variable title approval being requested? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

10. Course description (not to exceed 50 words) for Bulletin publication:

Prerequisite: Medical Terminology Course or Equivalent

Students will review medical terminology and gain an understanding of major disabling conditions, the psychological and vocational aspect of adjustment to disability and chronic long term illness, and examine psychological and social theories related to disability and chronic illness and Code of Ethics.

11. Lecture Contact Hours: Fixed at 42 or Variable from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

12. Non-Lecture Contact Hours: Fixed at \_\_\_\_\_ or Variable from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

13. Estimated enrollment: 15 of which 100% percent are expected to be graduate students.

14. Frequency of scheduling: Once per year Will this course be required for majors? Yes

15. Justification for new course: Required for new Graduate Certificate

16. Are the necessary reading materials currently available in the appropriate library? Yes

17. Please append a complete outline of the proposed course, and indicate instructor (if known), textbooks, and other materials.

18. If this course overlaps with existing courses, please explain with which courses it overlaps and whether this overlap is necessary, desirable, or unimportant.

19. At one of the fall 2008 IUPUI Dean's Council meetings, all deans were provided with a list of proposed courses for the Department of Health Sciences proposed undergraduate and graduate certificates, and were asked to provide feedback.

Submitted by:

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Department Chairman/Division Director

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Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Dean of Graduate School (when required)

Approved by:

Augustine O. Agho Date 2/6/09  
Dean

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Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Chancellor/Vice-President

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Date \_\_\_\_\_  
University Enrollment Services

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Indiana University  
School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences  
Department of Health Sciences  
**Psychological Aspects of Disability**  
SHRS W562

**Course Description:** Prerequisite: Medical Terminology Course or equivalent  
Students will review medical terminology and gain an understanding of major disabling conditions, the psychological and vocational aspect of adjustment to disability and chronic long term illness, and examine psychological and social theories related to disability and chronic illness and Code of Ethics.

**Credit Hours:** 3 credit hours, Web-based

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**References:** Dell Orto, A. E., & Power, P. W. *The Psychological and Social Impact of Illness and Disability*, 5<sup>th</sup> ed. Springer Publishing Co., Inc. NY  
  
Hersen, M and Van Hasset, VB. *Psychological Aspects of Developmental and Physical Disabilities; A Casebook*, Newbury-park, CA: Sage Publications

**Educational Objectives:** Upon completion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Discuss the historical roots of psychosocial theories of disabilities.
2. Describe psychological aspects of development and physical disabilities.
3. Explore the implications of psychological and societal knowledge of disabilities relative to the philosophy and goals of rehabilitation.
4. Develop perspectives and knowledge for current and future rehabilitation practices.
5. Use the Code of Ethics for Rehabilitation Counselors to analyze various situations.
6. Explain current theories of psychosocial adaptation and coping practices.
7. Critically analyze current research on individual response to stress and negative life events as well as mind/body interaction in promoting health and wellness and coping with disability.

**Grading:** Points will be assigned for all graded activities. At the end of the course, the points will be added and the grades assigned as follows:  
A= 90-100  
B=80-89  
C=70-79  
A grade below a C is considered a failing grade

**Course policies:**

All students are bound by the School of Health and Rehabilitation Science's Honor Code.

Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated and will be grounds for course failure and subsequent dismissal from the health sciences program.

**Cheating:** Dishonesty of any kind with respect to examinations, course assignments, alteration of records, or illegal possession of examination questions shall be considered cheating. It is the responsibility of the student not only to abstain from cheating but to guard against making it possible for others to cheat.

**Plagiarism:** Honesty requires that any ideas or materials taken from another source for either written or oral use must be fully acknowledged. Offering the work of someone else as one's own is plagiarism. The language or ideas thus taken from another may range from isolated formulas, sentences, or paragraphs to entire articles copied from books, periodicals, speeches, or the writings of other students. The offering of materials collected by others in the form of projects or collections without acknowledgement also is considered plagiarism. Any student who fails to give credit for ideas or materials that are taken from another source is guilty of plagiarism.

All students have the right to expect the course instructor to provide a syllabus with objectives, be fair and impartial in her interactions with students, demonstrate respect for students, return assignments in a timely manner, be accessible with prior notice, and create an environment conducive to learning.

**Request for accommodations:**

Any student requiring accommodations to meet special needs must contact the course instructor prior to the second week of the fall semester. Accommodations will be based on documented needs.

**HIPAA Compliance:**

Recently enacted HIPAA regulations place stringent requirements on practitioners to protect the privacy of patients. When completing assignments that include patient related information, students must comply with the following guidelines:

1. Maintain confidentiality concerning all patient information.
2. Change the names of patients, referring providers, and facilities to preserve anonymity.
3. Restrict the use and/or disclosure of information, even though permitted, to the minimum necessary to accomplish the intended educational purpose.

NOTE: This course is cross-listed as both an undergraduate and graduate course. Course objectives, readings and assignments reflect differing expectations between undergraduate and graduate students.