Unit Outline (Higher Education)

Institute / School:	Institute of Health and Wellbeing
Unit Title:	PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE: STAGE 2
Unit ID:	PSYCM7012
Credit Points:	15.00
Prerequisite(s):	(PSYCM7003 and PSYCM7011 and PSYCM7015 and PSYCM7017)
Co-requisite(s):	Nil
Exclusion(s):	(PSYCM7109)
ASCED:	090701

Description of the Unit:

This is a clinical placement unit which provides the opportunity for students to apply, under supervision, the knowledge and skills acquired through coursework. The focus is on providing clinical psychological services to clients attending the Federation University psychology training clinic (FedUni Community Psychology Services).

Grade Scheme: Ungraded (S, UN)

Work Experience:

Not wholly work experience: Student is not undertaking work experience in industry or student is undertaking work experience in industry where learning and performance is directed by the provider.

Placement Component: Yes

Supplementary Assessment: No

Supplementary assessment is not available to students who gain a fail in this Unit.

Learning Outcomes:

Knowledge:

K1. Integrate the selection, administration, scoring and interpretation of a range of appropriate self-report, and clinician administered psychometric measures

K2. Critically evaluate and select appropriate evidence-based clinical assessment and treatment procedures for mental health problems of adults and children.

K3. Appraise written and verbal communication methods and styles within a professional context

K4. Effectively utilise clinical supervision to facilitate and monitor the learning of assessment and intervention skills, to modify clinical practice in response to feedback, and to develop self-awareness and realistic self-evaluation skills.

K5. Assess the ethical, professional, and legal matters that may occur during psychological practice

Skills:

S1. Demonstrate an appropriate level of skill in developing and administering assessments, and implementing clinical interventions for adults and children.

S2. Demonstrate an appropriate level of skill in the ability to communicate effectively and professionally in writing and verbally.

S3. Active engagement in the supervisory process, and the ability to utilise supervision effectively and appropriately.

S4. Demonstrate the ability to apply knowledge of the ethical, professional, and legal aspects of psychological practice.

Application of knowledge and skills:

A1. Critically evaluate and self-monitor the development of professional skills and knowledge in clinical psychological practice.

A2. Engage in professional practice competently and ethically.

A3. Communicating knowledge using sound written communication skills in all clinical documentation, including Log Book, clinical records and reports.

Unit Content:

Topics may include:

- Orientation to the placement agency
- Utilising clinical supervision effectively
- Receiving and responding to feedback
- Managing a caseload
- Assessment and clinical interventions
- Managing client-related documentation appropriately

Learning Task and Assessment:

Learning Outcomes Assessed	Assessment Tasks	Assessment Type	Weighting
K1-5; S1-4; A1-3	Placement Contract, documenting the practical details of the placement, responsibilities and learning goals.	Written Task	S/U
K1-5; S1-4; A1-3	Students will complete the required hours for the three key aspects of the placement: direct client work; client-related work; and individual and group supervision, and will complete the required documentation associated with their clinical work, which may including client file documentation, clinical reports, and Log Books.	Practical and Written Task	S/U
K1-5; S1-4; A1-3	Students will engage in a formal review process midway through the placement and at the end of placement.	Mid and End of Placement Review	S/U

Adopted Reference Style:

APA

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