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1/29/2024 ** Guest Speaker			
2/12/2024** Guest Speakers			
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5/6/2024			

Location: Rutgers-GSAPP, A-317

Course description and philosophy:

- Bi-weekly supervision to discuss issues and cases that arise in practicum settings as first year students proceed through their first year practica placements.
- Acclimating to the new role as a psychology graduate student, beginning psychologist and supervisee in a practicum
 placement is an exciting challenge and one best done with peers, mentors and supervisors a community where we offer
 each other what we hope to provide to our clients. That is a safe space where we are free to experiment and learn from
 each other in a way that supports each other's' growth.
- There is respect for the diversity that everyone brings to the discussion.

Course Goals:

- 1. Student will become an educated consumer of clinical supervision in practicum placements. Thus, developing the capacity to self-assess and monitor your professional and clinical competencies.
- 2. Student will acclimate to the practicum experience as a part of their professional development and to their particular practicum placement.
- 3. Student will be oriented to the role and identity of a professional psychologist.
- 4. Student will be oriented to the APA's Profession-Wide Competencies and how they apply to their work as developing professionals.
- 5. Students will be introduced to information related to licensing and other professional requirements.

Course Objectives:

- To demonstrate competent knowledge and application at a first-year graduate level in the following areas:
 - $_{\odot}$ A. Knowledge and application of key APA Profession Wide Competencies (PWC)
 - Student can list and describe key competencies of a psychologist including, professionalism in dress and behavior, appropriate use and participation in supervision, basic legal and ethical issues.
 - Students can apply these to direct experience as a supervisee and beginning psychologist
 - Students can demonstrate receiving and providing constructive feedback from and to supervisors and peers.
 - Students can consider their own cultural/diverse context and how it might affect the supervisory and therapeutic interactions

- Students can consider diversity and the varying degrees of diversity (i.e., race/ethnicity, SES, ability, education, migration, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, amongst others)
- B. Knowledge and application of awareness of your specific strengths as well as areas in need of improvement as a supervisee through discussions and self-assessment. You will develop your own capacity for self-reflection about what occurred during a session as well as being responsive to the feedback of others.
 - Students can demonstrate active self-evaluation
 - Students begin to develop individual, unique self-identities as clinical psychologists in training
- C. Overall, this course will also attempt to help students get the most out of their graduate training at GSAPP. Here and there it can function as an assembly manual, user's guide, and set of 'fix-it' tips to help when something seems not to be working right. Most classes, at least some time will be provided to bring up issues in training setting and to raise questions about how best to maximize integration of course-based and practicum training.

APA Professional Core Competencies (PWC): **Ethical and Legal Standards**; <u>Other Areas of PWC</u>: *Individual and Cultural Diversity;* Professional Values, Attitudes and Behaviors; Communication and Interpersonal Skills; Supervision; Consultation and Interprofessional/Interdisciplinary Skills

Respect for Diversity:

It is my intent that students from all diverse backgrounds and perspectives be well-served by this course, that students' learning needs be addressed both in and out of class, and that the diversity each student brings to this class be viewed as a resource, strength and benefit. It is my intent to present materials and activities that are respectful of diversity: gender identity, sexuality, disability, age, socioeconomic status, ethnicity, race, nationality, religion, and culture. Your suggestions are encouraged and appreciated.

Names and Pronouns:

Class rosters are provided to each instructor, in most circumstances with the student's legal name. If the student wishes to be addressed differently than what is listed, I will gladly honor the student's request to be addressed by their preferred name and/or gender pronoun. Please advise me of this preference early in the semester in order to make the appropriate changes to my records. For further information on University policy, please see: <u>https://diversity.rutgers.edu/chosen-name</u>

Accommodations:

Rutgers University welcomes students with disabilities into all of the University's educational programs. In order to receive consideration for reasonable accommodations, a student with a disability must contact the appropriate disability services office at the campus where you are officially enrolled, participate in an intake interview, and provide documentation: https://dx.rutgers.edu/students/documentation-guidelines

If the documentation supports your request for reasonable accommodations, your campus's disability services office will provide you with a Letter of Accommodations. Please share this letter with me and discuss the accommodations with me as early in the courses as possible. To begin this process, please complete the Registration form(<u>https://webapps.rutgers.edu/student-ods/forms/registration</u>).

Class Participation, Participation and Attendance:

In order for class to maintain a comfortable and supportive leaving environment for everyone, it is expected that we will work together in a collaborative and professional manner. This collaborative and professional demeanor will be a part of your identity as a psychologist and encompasses many of APA's Profession Wide Competencies (Ethical and Legal Standards; Individual and Cultural Diversity. Professional Values, Attitudes and Behaviors; Communication and Interpersonal Skills; Supervision; Consultation and Interprofessional/Interdisciplinary Skills). Professional behavior is part of the grade and is the expectation in this class as well as beyond the classroom.

Active participation in the form of raising questions, discussing readings, sharing experiences and opinions is expected. Learning to interact in groups, even when you disagree with your peers is a key competency of a professional psychologist and respectful behavior towards peers, faculty, guests and staff is required. Having side conversations, writing notes to others, and the use of electronic devices, amongst others, is not considered professional behavior.

Attendance: It is expected that each student attends every scheduled class. If you are unable to attend a class due to illness or will be late, please email me prior to class. Students are excused from class when observing religious holidays, in accordance with Rutgers University policy. An excused absence can also occur if the student is ill, and/or the student has been told to quarantine, and/or are experiencing symptoms of any transmittable disease.

Students will be responsible for all material covered during their absence. Credit will be given if no more than 2 classes are missed, all written assignments are submitted, and you participate in class presentations and small group discussions. Note, you may need to submit a brief assignment to make up for a missed class.

Late Assignments: With few exceptions, for extreme circumstances, you must request in **writing**, advance permission to submit an assignment late. Your request should include a proposed new deadline, which must be approved. Assignments not submitted by the new deadline will not ordinarily be accepted. Submitting work on time and as expected also incorporates APA Profession Wide Competencies (Communication and Interpersonal Skills, Professional Values, Attitudes and Behaviors).

<u>Communication</u>: It is important for students to communicate with their instructors. It is expected students will notify the instructor of any absences, lateness, difficulties with assignments and so forth, DIRECTLY. As psychologists in training, it is very important this skill is developed and utilized throughout your training and beyond. This incorporates APA Profession Wide competencies (**Professional Values**,

Attitudes and Behaviors; Communication and Interpersonal Skills). As a professional, it is important to have direct communication even when the topic may be uncomfortable and/or inconvenient. I cannot be of help, if I am not aware of circumstances.

Rutgers Code of Integrity: You should familiarize yourself with the Rutgers integrity code and are responsible for conducting yourself accordingly. <u>http://nbacademicintegrity.rutgers.edu/home/academic-integrity-policy/</u>

Student Handbook: Students are expected to familiarize themselves with the student handbook <u>https://gsapp.rutgers.edu/currentstudents/student-handbook-polices-and-procedures</u>

Course Text and Materials:

Required:

- 1. Prinstein, M. J. (2022). The Portable Mentor (3rd ed.). Cambridge University Press.
- 2. Falendar, C.A., & Shafranske, E.P. (2012). Getting the most out of clinical training and supervision: A guide for practicum students and interns. Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.
- 3. Gottlieb, L. (2019). Maybe you should talk to someone. Houghton Mifflin.

Recommended/Optional:

- 4. Eells, T.D. (2015). Psychotherapy case formulation. Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.
- 5. Kim, A. S., & Del Prado, A. (2019). It's time to talk (and Listen). Oakland, CA: New Harbinger Publications.
- 6. Israel, T. (2020). Beyond Your Bubble: How to Connect Across the Political Divide, Skills and Strategies for Conversations That Work (Illustrated ed.). APA LifeTools.

Additional:

7. Case studies and current events articles will be distributed, and it is expected that students will read and be prepared to discuss these cases in class.

Grading Criteria:

- 1. Class participation 30%
- 2. Small group participation 30%
- 3. Class presentations/assignments 15%
- 4. Final assignment 25% due by 5/6/2024 by 8:45am

Date	Class Topic	Required Reading Due/Other	Other
Date 1/29/2024	 Welcome Back Trajectory planning/career goals. Guest Speaker, Dr. Jennifer Jones-Damis, '13 Practicum- professional 	Guest Speaker: Dr. Jennifer Jones, '13, Director of Rutgers-CAPS <u>Bio</u> : <u>Dr. Jennifer Jones-Damis</u> is a licensed Psychologist in NY and NJ and a Licensed Professional Counselor in NJ. Dr. Jones-Damis completed a two-year Postdoctoral Fellowship in Traumatic Stress at Mount Sinai Medical Center in NYC where she administered evidence-based treatment to youth in the juvenile justice system. Dr. Jones-Damis was the Associate Director of Mental Health for the Young Adult (18-21) population at Riker's Island Correctional Facility. There she spear-headed the mental health aspect of the Alternative to Solitary Confinement Program. She then became the Director of Mental Health for the largest jail in NJ, Essex County Jail. Dr. Jones-Damis facilitates trainings and workshops for Probation/Correction Officers and professionals around the country to	Other Small groups will focus on follow up questions regarding practicum, applications, interviews, and career goals.
	training sequencing of these experiences and the importance of "fit." Consideration for trajectory planning and career goals	spread knowledge about the impact of trauma, racial trauma and mental illness. Her research interests focus on the disproportionality of Black students receiving exclusionary discipline in school systems and issues of the over representation of Black youth in the juvenile justice system. She has presented her research at national conferences and co-authored a chapter on classroom management for the International Handbook of Student Achievement.	
	 Review – choosing your practicum. Training goals. 		
	 Interviewing tips for externship 		

2/12/2024	 Continued review of Practicum, Career development and planning: The Role of networking in professional development. Guest Speakers: Dr. Peter DeNigris '04 & Amy Chapman, Ph.D. (NJPA) 	 <u>Guest Speakers</u>: Dr. Peter DeNigris '04 and Amy Chapman, Ph.D. <u>Bio</u>: Dr. Peter DeNigris earned his PsyD in clinical psychology in 2004 from the Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology (GSAPP) at Rutgers University. He is currently co-owner and managing partner of Somerset Psychological Group, PA, in Somerville, New Jersey. His general practice includes evaluating and treating adolescents and adults using a cognitive-behavioral approach. Two of Dr. DeNigris' primary areas of interest include anxiety and mood disorders. An additional area of specialty is forensic psychology, including therapy with those involved in the legal system as well as evaluations assessing level of risk and fitness for duty. Many of Dr. DeNigris' clinical experiences involve working with adolescents who have experienced trauma. His research includes developing and implementing a model for treating adolescents affected by trauma who were resistant to traditional modes of psychotherapy. The model, called "Community-Based Intervention for Trauma-Affected Adolescents (CITA)," was applied to adolescents who were directly affected by the terrorism at the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. Dr. DeNigris remains active with traumatic response. In addition, Dr. DeNigris is a member of the Medical Staff at Morristown Medical Center. He has been an adjunct professor at Drew University and a Part-Time Lecturer at GSAPP. Dr. DeNigris also serves as Past President of the New Jersey Psychological Association and as Past President of the Alumni Organization at the Graduate School of Applied & Professional Psychology at Rutgers University. <u>Bio: Amy Chapman, Ph.D.</u>, an accomplished professional with a diverse background in non-profit administration, Joint formation, youth ministry, and high school teaching. Throughout my career, I have consistently demonstrated a proven track record of providing visionary leadership, strategic planning, and program development within the non-profit	Small groups will focus on follow up questions regarding practicum and relationship building.
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Please familiarize yourselves with NJPA and the Student membership https://psychologynj.org/ and https://psychologynj.org/page/GraduateStudentsNJPAGS Also, familiarize yourselves with APA and the Student membership
APAGS: https://www.apa.org/ and https://www.apa.org/apags Read: 1) "Getting involved in Professional Organizations: A Gateway to Career Advancement" Chapter 21, Portable Mentor, pp. 387-405 2) "Advocacy: Advancing Psychology and Public Well-Being" Chapter 22, Portable Mentor, pp. 406-416

3/04/2024	*	Guest speakers: Dr. Maria Alba '22, Dr. Sydney Brinson '22, & Dr. Irada Yunusova '22 Considerations for Practicum experience planning sequentially, cumulatively and graded in complexity through doctoral training. Discussion of THE <u>PROSPE</u> CTIVE, SEQUENTIAL- CUMULATIVE PRACTICUM <u>R</u> ESUME (<i>The PROSPER Resume</i>)	Guest Speakers: Dr. Maria Alba '22, Dr. Sydney Brinson '22 & Dr. Irada Yunusova '22 Bio: Maria Alba, Psy.D, Dr. Maria Alba is an Attending Psychologist and Assistant Clinical Director of the Dialectical Behavior Therapy Program for Adolescents at the Montefiore Moses Child Outpatient Psychiatry Division. She also provides services in the Eating Disorders Program at Montefiore. Dr. Alba's clinical and research interests include the dissemination and implementation of dialectical behavior therapy and creative psychosocial interventions for medically ill youth. Postdoctoral Fellowship: DBT-A/EDPM Track at Montefiore. Predoctoral Internship: Child/Adolescent Specialization at Montefiore. Externships: DBT-RU, FCCP, CDU at NYSP. Bio: Sydney Brinson, Psy.D, Dr. Sydney Brinson is an Attending Psychologist at Montefiore Medical Center's Substance Abuse Treatment Program and New Directions Recovery Center. Dr. Brinson provides cognitive behavioral interventions to racially marginalized communities and specializes in culturally- responsive, trauma-informed care. Dr. Brinson completed her psychology internship at the Bronx VA Medical Center. Her previous externships include FCCP, ADC, and New York Presbyterian's inpatient Self-Injurious Unit. Bio: Irada Yunusova, Psy.D, Irada Yunusova, Psy.D, Bio: Irada Yunusova, Psy.D, Irada Yunusova, Psy.D,	Small group discussions will focus on practicum planning, PROSPER resume.
			Voelker, R. (2015, January). Ready for practicum? Advice on	

	2). <u>https://www.apa.org/gradpsych/2006/11/cover-practicum</u> Make practicum count (2006) Chamberlin, J. (2006, November). <i>Make practicum count</i> <i>Practicum is about growing as a therapist and prepping for</i> <i>internship. Here's how to maximize the experience.</i> APA. Retrieved January 2022, from https://www.apa.org/gradpsych/2006/11/cover-practicum	
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3/25/2024 🛠	 Continued review and discussion of APA Profession Wide Competencies (PWCs) 	http://www.apa.org/etines/code/index.ittin	requirements as they relate to PWCs and
	 Continued review of Review of requirements, APA Standards (Health Service 	2) Standards of Accreditation for Health Service Psychologists	professional psychology.

4/8/24	 GSAPP related requirements (review – 	Familiarize yourselves with:	Small groups will focus on GSAPP
	dissertation,	Dissertation:	requirements,
	comprehensive exams, internship) as they		organizational
	relate to Health Service	handbooks-p-2539=&tab=panel-4	strategies.
	Psychologists		
		Student Handbook: https://gsapp.rutgers.edu/sites/default/files/2023-	
		06/gsapp_student_handbook_rev080521.pdf	
		 <u>Comprehensive Examinations</u> (General and Clinical) p. 51 (Handbook) 	
		https://gsapp.rutgers.edu/current-students#comprehensive-exams-2106	
		Oral Comprehensive Examination p.58 (Handbook)	
		• <u>Program Proposal:</u> https://gsapp.rutgers.edu/current-students#comprehensive-exams- 2106=&tab=panel-3 (under Clinical Dept. Forms, for cohorts entering after 2020)	
		Effective Intervention Courses Document for Program Proposal: https://gsapp.rutgers.edu/sites/default/files/2023- 04/gsapp courses that teach theories and methods of effective interventions 2.23.pdf	
		 All Forms: https://gsapp.rutgers.edu/current-students#pforms-documents- manuals-and-handbooks-p-2539 	

4/29/2024	Career Planning	Read 1). <u>Portable Mentor, Chapters 18, 19, 25, 27</u> Obtaining a License to Practice Psychology, p. 348-360 Becoming a Specialist: Board Certification, p.361-370 Recommendations for a Postdoctoral Fellowship, p. 451-476 Career Versatility in Employment Trends, p. 477-495	Small groups will focus on career planning, licensing and values.
		Optional Reading : 2). <u>Portable Mentor, Chapters 28, 29, 30</u> Professional Women in Psychology: Integrating Your Values into a Full Life, p. 514-545 The Job Search, p. 546-564	
		Balancing Career and Family, p. 565-577	
		Review APA Resources: How did you get that job <u>https://pages.apa.org/hdygtj-</u> <u>science/</u>	

2nd Semester Final Assignment:

✓ THE <u>PROSPE</u>CTIVE, SEQUENTIAL-CUMULATIVE PRACTICUM <u>R</u>ESUME

(The PROSPER Resume Due 5/8/2024 by 8:45am (word document, via e-mail to Dr. Diaz-Martinez)

✓ Details regarding this assignment will be reviewed in class.

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Additional:

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