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Psychiatric Technology Program Work Sheet

Description:

The Psychiatric Technician Program is a one year program consisting of two, 18 week and one, 10 week term. The program content areas include: nursing science, developmental disabilities and mental disorders. Twenty to thirty students are admitted each fall and spring semesters. The program is accredited by the Board of Vocation Nurses and Psychiatric Technicians. Upon completion, the students are eligible to take the BVNPT licensing exam.

Pre-admission & Prerequisites: Submit All With Application

- Assessment Test Results (English, Math and Reading (100) Contact Counseling Department. You may be exempt from Assessment if you have an associate degree or higher from an accredited college or university.
- High school completion (official transcript or G.E.D., AA Degree, BS Degree, or foreign graduate that has been evaluated by AERC (American Educational Research Corporation), or IERF (International Education Research Foundation), or World Education Services. The Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (BVNPT) accepts proof of Associate or Baccalaureate degree as evidence of completing a general course of study through the 12th grade.
- Official transcripts of record from other accredited colleges (SBVC or CHC – Submit unofficial copies)
- Bio 155 (Introductory Anatomy and Physiology) with a C or Higher or Equivalent Class (WITHIN 5 YEARS). (4 Units/54 hours, Transferable with a lab.)
- Psychology 100 (General Psychology) with a C or Higher or Equivalent Class (WITHIN 5 YEARS) (3 units/54 hours) (When expires, may take PSYCH 110 (Abnormal Psychology), 111 or 112 (Developmental Psychology))
- English 101 (Freshman Composition) with a C or Higher or Equivalent from a US accredited college or university (4 Units with a letter grade).
- Math 095 (Intermediate Algebra) with a C or Better or assessed at a higher math level (4 Units).
- EDUCATIONAL PLAN: It is now required that you have an educational plan on file. This educational plan should include all of the courses required to complete your educational goal. Make an appointment with a counselor for an educational plan as soon as possible. If you are a prospective Psychiatric Technician Program student, all prerequisites, general education and psychiatric technician courses should be indicated on your educational plan. If you are a continuing psychiatric technician student, the remaining degree applicable general education and psychiatric technician courses should be indicated on your educational plan. CONTACT: Gina Curasi, PHONE: (909) 384-8609, EMAIL: gcurasi@sbccd.cc.ca.us, LOCATED in AD/SS 103.
- In addition to earning a grade of “C” or better, students must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 and be in good academic standing to be considered for admission into the Psychiatric Technology Program.
- Cannot be on academic or criminal probation at the time of applying for the program or during the program.
- Copy of California Driver’s license or ID and Social Security card are required.

Prior to Admission: Immunizations – Start Now. Submit when completed

- MMR: Rubella (German measles or 3-day measles), Rubeola (10-day measles, red measles, or measles) And Mumps (MMR= Measles, Mumps & Rubella Vaccine) antibody titer levels indicating immunity.
- Hepatitis B Series: # 1 , # 2 , & # 3 (series takes about 4 months (0, 1, 4 months) or a protective Hepatitis B surface antibody titer (>10 mIU/mL). antibody titer levels indicating immunity.
- Varicella (chicken pox) the varicella antibody titer levels indicating immunity.
- Tdap (Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis). Tdap or booster within the last 5 years.
- Influenza: Trivalent, inactivated influenza and H1N1 vaccine.

Provisional Acceptance – Information Provided at the Orientation Meeting. Must pass by scheduled deadlines.

- Live scan clearance – FBI/DOJ (Fee \$48)
- San Bernardino Unified School District clearance (\$20).

Please note: If a student is denied access to a clinical site by the clinical agency based on information obtained during the screening process or during the course of the program, the student will not be able to continue in the program.

After Acceptance in the Program (Should be in effect for the duration of the Program.)

- CPR: American Heart Association: Basic Life Support (BLS) & Automated External Defibrillator (AED) for **Healthcare Providers** – sign the back of the card and turn in original card (usually effective for 2 years). No online course accepted.
- First aid card – sign the back of the card and turn in original card (usually effective for 3 years).
- Malpractice insurance. Have your graduation date available. Purchase on-line and may fax or email proof of insurance to SBVC, Psychiatric Technology Program. (Effective 1 Year Only)
- Completed Physical Examinations & Physical Agility Statement on the provided forms with designated health provider signature of who completed the physical. (Within 6 months of start in the program and is effective 18 months)
- Tuberculosis Screening : - negative skin test (PPD) within 6 months of start of the program or if history of positive skin test negative Chest X-ray within one year Note: Tuberculosis screening skin test must be repeated annually or chest X-ray repeated every two years throughout the program. Students may not enroll in a semester unless their TB screening is valid for the entire semester. If skin test is positive a chest x-ray is required with results signed by physician. X-ray must be repeated every two years or more often if symptoms occur. (TB skin test clearance is effective 1 Year Only). **(Both, PPD or X-Ray must be within 6 months of start in the program.)**
- Required to present a California driver’s license or ID and a valid social security card.
- You will have a mandatory “Review of Requirements Meeting” before class starts.

Important Information to Know

Application

We will only accept applications from students who have completed all four prerequisite classes, include official transcripts of other accredited college other than SBVC and Crafton (submit unofficial copies), proof of high school graduation or equivalent and required assessments. Students with a college degree from an American accredited college do not need to present evidence of high school graduation or assessment. See the Director (HLS-102) when you completing your last prerequisite class (Mid-September or Mid-March)

Reactivation

To be considered for future admission dates, please complete a “reactivation” form available in the Health and Life Science Building Room 101. Complete each semester. Please do not complete another application form. Inactive applications may be discarded after one year. All applications over 3 years older may be discarded. We are looking forward to your admission in one of our future classes. The Date for reactivation must be submitted by:
February 1st for Fall Semester and/or September 1st for Spring Semester

Check your college e-mail for important updates.

Blackboard: - Check for your status. Should be updated fully by Nov/April. Updating stated in Sept/Feb
Call for HELP @ 1-877-241-1756 (anytime 24/7).

NOTE: Requirements may change without notice.

Mission Statement

The San Bernardino Valley College Psychiatric Technology Program provides quality education and training to students interested in the psychiatric technology field. The mission of the program is to provide the community with graduates who will be competent and professional Licensed Psychiatric Technicians and who are prepared to provide care and treatment to a culturally diverse population.