

**Syracuse University**  
**Department of Public Health**  
**PHP 321 Prevention in Addiction Services**  
**Spring 2024**

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**Office Hours: Virtual: Mon & Wed, 4-5pm**

**Credits:** 4

**Pre-requisites:** PHP 318

**Class format:** course meets 2 times per week (1 hour & 20 minutes each session) for 29 classes. Course meets Tuesday & Thursday-3:30pm-4:50pm.

**Catalog Description:** Theories, principles, and strategies relevant to addiction prevention services with diverse populations. Provides an overview to the design and evaluation of addiction prevention programs. 15 hours of community-based prevention activities required.

**Learning Outcomes:**

After taking this course, the students will be able to:

1. Apply health promotion models and prevention theory in the development of substance use prevention programs
2. Use data to guide program planning
3. Design a plan for a substance use prevention program
4. Propose an evaluation plan for a hypothetical prevention program

**Required Texts:**

Cimini, M. D., & Rivero, E. M. (2018). *Promoting behavioral health and reducing risk among college students: a comprehensive approach*. London, England: Routledge.

**Course bibliography:** see p. 5ff. These readings are available on Blackboard

**Course Evaluation**

Description	Percent of Grade
<b>Prevention Project</b>	
Part 1 – Assessment	20%
Part 2 – Planning	25%
Part 3 - Evaluation	20%
<b>Group Presentations</b>	20%
<b>Participation</b>	15%
Total	100%







## Grading Table

Percentile Grade	Letter Grade	Percentile Grade	Letter Grade
94-100	A	77-79	C+
90-93	A-	74-76	C
87-89	B+	70-73	C-
84-86	B	65-69	D
80-83	B-	<65	F

## Course Requirements and Expectations





- Participation:** Preparation for and regular contribution to class discussions are important and the foundation for all our work together in this course. Active class participation means that the use of cell phones, text messaging devices, email, web-browsing and so on are not permitted in class, unless being used to publicly support class discussions. Twelve (12) discussion group sessions will be randomly scheduled. The top scoring nine (10) discussion sessions will count toward the course grade. Groups are randomly formed. Evaluation: Grading is based on the quality of engagement with the group, application of class material to the discussion, and behaviors to support the discussion. A rubric is posted to Blackboard.
- Group topic Facilitation & Presentation:** We are using a seminar format in this assignment. Before real-time class sessions, each group has been assigned to pairs or small groups to read and discuss critical takeaways or summary points from the topic based on literature in addiction prevention (see the syllabus schedule). Groups are expected to report their findings for discussion in real-time with the entire class. Again, students are expected to report their key takeaways or summary points in real-time with the entire class for discussion. Evaluation will be based on the following criteria.

### A. Group Leading the Facilitation: (Worth 11%)

-  Summary/Key take-aways of the topic based on the topic and material assigned (2%)
-  Based on literature, discuss Pros & Cons of the topic assigned (2%)
-  Identify and facilitate National policy of the assigned topic (2%)
-  Engaging peers in forum on student-led discussions (2%)
-  The group's recommendations on way forward on the topic (2%)
-  Group's Powerpoint must be uploaded to the blackboard 24 hours prior to discussion day (1%)

### B. The rest of the students: (Three 3 X at 3% each = 9%)


Each student must engage and participate in the discussion if they are not in the facilitating group. Grading will be based on the following:

-  Asking questions
-  Presenting challenging options
-  Presenting suggestions/recommendations
-  Non-use of cell phones while discussion is going.

## NOTE:

-  No points will be awarded to students who attended class sessions and made no contributions to

the class discussion topic.

 There is no make up for this assessment.

### 3.Prevention Project:

In this project, students will develop a hypothetical alcohol and substance use prevention intervention for the Syracuse University campus. The project consists of the following parts:

- a) **Photo Assessment:** Students will capture photo images to document environmental influences that promote or hinder substance use. A total of ten images are required; at least 5 images which promote substance use and 5 images which hinder substance use. The final product will consist of two parts: a) a digital “poster” displaying the capture images, thematically organized to illustrate images related to risk and protective factors of substance use on the Syracuse campus and adjacent neighborhoods; b) 200-400 word, formally written explanation of the composition (#1) which clarifies the context, theme, and message which you intend to portray visually. More details will be presented in class and on Blackboard.
- b) **Planning & Proposed Solutions: In this part of the project, students will**
- Define the problem. National data should be used to support the significance of the problem (for instance, based on your photo assessment- pick any substance and search for data on it. Present the data and use the data to define/state and explain the problem)
  - Evaluate the current condition on the Syracuse University campus (again based on the substance selected). Local data should be used to support your position
  - Analysis – is change/improvement needed (again based on the substance selected)? Explain your position with literature.
  - Establish one goal/objective to risk for problematic alcohol or substance use on campus (based on the substance selected)
  - Propose evidence-based solutions/interventions to achieve the goal (based on the several evidence-based solutions/interventions discussed in class. Use literature the intervention selected).

In-text citations and a reference list formatted per APA style are required. Report length: 4 pages, double spaced (excluding title page and reference page). Additional details will be discussed in class and posted to Blackboard. A rubric to guide your development of this assignment and to facilitate grading is posted on Blackboard.

- c) **Evaluation Model:** Student will propose an evaluation framework/model based on the CDC framework. In-text citations and a reference list formatted per APA style are required. Report length: 1 page, double spaced (excluding title page and reference page).  
A rubric to guide this assignment's development and facilitate grading is posted on Blackboard

### Assessment Plan

This course exposes students to the following BSPH addiction prevention concentration outcome, SU Shared Competencies, and the Council on Education in Public Health (CEPH) undergraduate public health domains.

PHP 321 Course Learning Outcomes	Course Assignments	SU Shared Competencies	CEPH Public Health Foundational Domains
Apply health promotion models and prevention theory in the development of substance use prevention programs	Exam 1 & 2		Project implementation: Address the fundamental concepts and <i>features of project implementation,</i>

PHP 321 Course Learning Outcomes	Course Assignments	SU Shared Competencies	CEPH Public Health Foundational Domains
	Class Participation Prevention Project	<b>Scientific Inquiry and Research Skills. Application of scientific inquiry and problem-solving in various contexts.</b> Analysis of theories, replication of procedures, and rethinking existing frameworks. <b>Supporting arguments through research, data, and quantitative and qualitative evidence</b> that can generate new knowledge.	<b>including planning, assessment, and evaluation</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use data to guide program planning</li> <li>• Design a plan for a substance use prevention program</li> <li>• Propose an evaluation plan for a hypothetical prevention program</li> </ul>	Prevention project		

#### Assessment Plan, professional credentialing:

This course meets NYS Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) credentialing requirements:

- Credentialed Prevention Professional (CPP) and Credentialed Prevention Specialist (CPS): Education & Training Section IV – Professional Development & Ethical Responsibilities
- Credentialed Alcohol and Substance Abuse Counselor (CASAC): Education & Training Section IV – Professional Development & Ethical Responsibilities

#### CLASS SCHEDULE

Class	Class Topic	Readings	Assignment Due Dates All written assignments are submitted to BB by 11:59 p.m.
1/16	Class introductions Course Orientation Substance Use: Overall Prevalence Patterns	NSDUH (2018).	Registration of Arkave device for attendance
<b>Scope of the Problem &amp; Social Costs</b>			
1/18	Public Health Approaches	ASTHO (2017).	
1/23	Opioids, Cocaine, Alcohol Other Stimulants	Cidambi (2017) Text: CHP 1, 2 NIAAA(2019) CDC (2018) Weber (2016) Hayes & Manos(2018)	
1/25	Non-Medical Use of Prescription Drugs Tobacco Marijuana Vaping	Text CH 4 SAMHSA (2013). NIDA (2019) Text: CHP 3 NIDA(2018)	
<b>Prevention Frameworks &amp; Models</b>			
1/30	Strategic Prevention Framework (SAMHSA) Prevention Framework (OASAS) Prevention Principles	SAMHSA (2017) NIDA (2003) OASAS (n.d.)	

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2/1	Needs Assessment Approaches	NYS OASAS. SAMHSA (2017) pp 11-12) SAMHSA (2018). CCHD (CH 3)	
2/6	Building Resilience Reducing Harm	Arizona Board of Regents (2017)	
2/8	Life-Course Perspective The Importance of Early Childhood	NIDA (2016)	Prevention Project: Photo Assessment due 2/9 at 11:59pm, EST
2/13	Substance Misuse Prevention in Young Adults – The SocioEcological Model	SAMHSA (2017).	.
<b>Evidence Based Approaches</b>			
2/15	Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT)	Text CH 7	
2/20	Social Norms Approach  Media & social media	Text CH 8,  SAMHSA (2017. p.27–29.). SAMHSA (2017) pp 31-33	
2/22	Bystander-Focused Approaches to Harm Reduction	Text CH 10 Hawk, Vaca, & D'Onofrio (2015).	
2/27 & 2/29	Policy, Environmental and System Focused Approaches	Text CH 11	
3/5	<b>Group Topic Facilitation Group One</b>	The Role of social media in Addiction Prevention. Detail instructions will be provided via Blackboard	
3/7	<b>Group Topic Facilitation: Group Two</b>	Harm Reduction as a Prevention Strategy. Detail instructions will be provided via Blackboard	
<b>3/10-16</b>	<b>Spring Break. No Class</b>		
3/19	Peer Education	Text CH 12	
3/21	Supporting Students in Recovery	Text CH 13	
3/26 & 3/28	Developing a Strategic Plan Setting Project Goals and Objectives	SAMHSA (2017) pp 19-21, 31-33, 39-47) CCHD (CH 8) CDC (n.d.)	
4/2	Implementation: Engaging Human Capital Connecting with Your Audience	Text CH 14 SAMHSA (2017) pp 23-25)	Prevention Project: Planning & Proposed Solutions due 4/6 at 11:59pm, EST.
4/4	Implementation: Cultural and Contextual Implications	Text: CH 16 CCHD (CH 19)	
	Evaluation Frameworks	CDC (2022)	

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4/9		CCHD(CH 36) SAMHSA(2017) pp 35-37)	
4/11	Evaluation: Intervention Fidelity	Text CH 15	
4/16	Generating Financial Resources for Intervention Projects	CCHD (CH 42)	
4/18	<b>Group Topic Facilitation: Group Three</b>	Make a case on the benefits of Opioid Overdoses Policies as a prevention strategy. Detail instructions will be provided via Blackboard	
4/23	<b>Group Topic Facilitation: Group Four</b>	Make a case that Provision of Injection Sites for those who use injectable drugs is a prevention strategy. Detail instructions will be provided via Blackboard.	
4/25	<b>Course Wrap Up</b>		Prevention Project: Evaluation Due 5/27 at 11:59pm, EST.

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