

HSRV 141

Community-Based Services

Students completing this course will be able to:

1. Describe the primary habilitative goals of community-based mental retardation services in order to work more effectively in various work sites.
2. Explore and evaluate personal career options with professionals from various specialties in the field of Mental Retardation in order to make informed career choices.
3. Demonstrate knowledge of the principles of consumer empowerment in order to work more effectively with future clients.
4. Identify basic social and psychological concepts that impact current community mental retardation services including normalization, catchment area, community integration, confidentiality, and behavioral interventions in order to advocate efficiently and appropriately for future clients in the field.
5. Demonstrate an understanding of basic supportive counseling skills including observation, empathic listening, providing unconditional positive regard and team building in order to work more effectively in future work settings.

Strengthen core competencies in reading, writing, oral communication and critical thinking in order to increase success in this and other courses and in the workplace.