

# **OFFICIAL COURSE OUTLINE**

Course Code:		COUN-3225		
Short Title:		Spirituality & Complex Trauma		
Long Title:		Clinical Spirituality & Complex Trauma		
Prerequisites:		Depression, Grieving and Complex Trauma (COUN-3220) or Dreams & Complex Trauma (COUN-3230)		
Co-requisites:		None		
School:		School of Health, Community & Social Justice		
Division/Academy/Centre:		Centre for Counselling & Community Safety		
Previous Code & Title:		CT306 - Clinical Spirituality and Complex Trauma		
Course First Offered:		October 2011		
Credits:	1.5			

## **Course Description**

This course introduces you to spiritual healing techniques and boundaries for working with complex, intergenerational and vicarious trauma. Whole Body Focusing-Oriented Therapy (FOT) techniques are also introduced. Aboriginal Indigenous Knowledge cosmology such as ancestral knowledge and connection to ancestors will be explored where appropriate.

## **Course Goals**

Participants will be able to support their clients through physical movements within an FOT session. Often clients, who have experienced significant traumatic events will often have 'stuck places' within their body and may want to physically move through and release stuck places from an earlier time. Aboriginal Indigenous knowledge frameworks introduced previously will continue inform our relationships and our practice skills in FOT.

#### **Learning Outcomes**

Upon successful completion of this course, the learner will be able to:

- 1. Develop ways of supporting safe physical movements within FOT sessions.
- 2. Determine how boundaries required when considering whole body FOT sessions with a client.
- 3. Determine how to work with regression and flashbacks within whole body FOT sessions.
- 4. Recognize how to stay within the window of tolerance to ensure safety in whole body FOT sessions.
- 5. Select age appropriate movements depending on the age of your client.
- 6. Determine how to place your own therapist self so that you do not amplify or create unnecessary transference issues that can interrupt the client needs.
- 7. Apply the use of clearing space and creating the right environment for whole body FOT session.
- 8. Determine when the client is initiating whole body FOT.



- 9. Identify in the body what the body needs now and determine how to let go and receive what is needed.
- 10. Recognized how ceremony, creativity & witnessing are critical elements for client centered grief expression.

### **Course Topics/Content**

- Spiritual healing techniques
- Whole body FOT
- Cosmology and ancestral knowledge

#### **Text & Resource Materials**

Required materials will be supplied in class.

#### **Equivalent JIBC Courses**

None

Instructional Method(s) (select all that apply)	Hours
⊠ Direct Instruction (lecture, seminar, role plays, independent study, etc.)	21
□Supervised Practice (includes simulations & labs)	
Practice Education, Field Placement, Internship or Co-op	
Total	21

\*Refer to <u>http://www.jibc.ca/sites/default/files/governance/policies/pdf/Procedure\_Credit-Value.pdf</u>

#### **Course Evaluation**

The evaluation criteria used for this course are represented below. Specific course evaluation information will be provided by the instructor at the start of the course.

Criterion		% of Final Grade (may be represented as a range)
Course work (activities, assignments, essays, reports, etc.)		
Quizzes and exams		
Simulations/Labs		
Attendance/Participation (in class or online)		100%
Practice Education/Internships		
	Total	100%
Comments on Evaluation	-	

100% attendance in all classes is required.

Active contribution in large and small group discussions and activities expected.



#### **Course Grading Scheme\***

□JIBC1 (A to F)

□JIBC3(CM/IN)

⊠JIBC4 (P/F)

(\* <u>http://www.jibc.ca/policy/3304</u> Grading policy)

## **Other Course Guidelines, Procedures and Comments**

□JIBC2 (MAS/NMA)

View official versions of related JIBC academic regulations and student policies in the JIBC Calendar on the following pages of the JIBC website:

#### **Academic Regulations:**

http://www.jibc.ca/programs-courses/jibccalendar/academic-regulations Student Academic Integrity Policy Academic Progression Policy Admissions Policy Academic Appeals Policy Evaluation Policy Grading Policy

## **Student Policies:**

http://www.jibc.ca/about-jibc/governance/policies

Access Policy Harassment Policy – Students Student Records Policy Student Code of Conduct Policy

## **JIBC Core Competencies**

The JIBC promotes the development of core and specialized competencies in its programs. Graduates of our programs will demonstrate high levels of competence in the following areas:

- Critical thinking: Identify and examine issues and ideas; analyze and evaluate options in a variety of fields with differing assumptions, contents and methods.
- Communication, Oral and written: Demonstrate effective communication skills by selecting the appropriate style, language and form of communication suitable for different audiences and mediums.
- Leadership: Inspire individuals and teams to reach their potential by embracing innovation through strategic thinking and shared responsibility.
- □ Independent learning: Show initiative by acting independently in choosing effective, efficient and appropriate applied learning, research and problem solving strategies.
- ☑ Globally minded: Self-aware of own identity and culture, recognize the interconnectedness of world events and issues; interact respectfully and authentically

- Problem solving: State problems clearly; effectively and efficiently evaluate alternative solutions; choose solutions that maximize positive and minimize negative outcomes.
- ☑ Interpersonal relations: Know and manage ourselves; recognize and acknowledge the needs and emotions of others including those with diverse cultures, backgrounds and capabilities.
- ☑ Inter-professional teamwork: Understand and work productively within and between groups, respect others' perspectives and provide constructive feedback with special attention to inter-professional relationships.
- □ Information literacy: Recognize and analyze the extent and nature of an information need; efficiently locate and retrieve information; evaluate it and its sources critically, and use information effectively and ethically.



across cultures; value multiple perspectives; utilize curiosity to learn with and from others.