

School Counseling Program Newsletter

February 2012

Welcome

Welcome to all of you who are entering the School Counseling Program this semester. We're happy you're here! And welcome back to all of you "old-timers!" It's good to have you with us.

We're also grateful for the return of our part-time instructors this spring: Kathy Chavez, Layla Yousif, and Kathy Machado. All are experienced school counselors who bring a wealth of practical knowledge to their respective classes.

Orientation

An orientation for new students will be held on Wednesday, February 8th from 4:30-5:15 p.m. in P104 (EDCL 5640 class). This will include an overview of program requirements and resources, as well as an opportunity to ask whatever questions you may have as you begin the program.

Handbook

The *Graduate Studies in School Counseling Handbook* is **now** available online at http://www.csustan.edu/advstd/documents/SchoolCounselingHandbookRev12_11.pdf. It provides a detailed explanation of program requirements and policies. The handbook, along with the university catalog, will provide answers to many of your questions and will help you to stay on track with program deadlines and requirements throughout your course of study.

Schedule of Events

Our program Schedule of Events is available at: <http://www.csustan.edu/advstd/documents/11-12ScheduleofEvents.pdf>.

School Counseling Open House

The School Counseling Program will have an open house Saturday, March 10, 2012. Current and previous students, as well as counselors from the community are welcome. Please RSVP if you plan to attend. RSVP at: http://www.csustan.edu/advstd/sch_couns/openhousesvp.html.

Program Interviews

First Interviews for prospective students and Competency Interviews for students who have completed approximately 20 units of coursework are scheduled for Tuesday, May 15, 2012. Successful completion of the Competency Interview is required for paid internship eligibility and for program completion. The **application deadline is April 2, 2012**. Applications are available on the School Counseling webpage at http://www.csustan.edu/advstd/sch_couns/applicationsdocs.html.

Spring 2012 Semester Dates

There are seven non-instruction days during the semester: Friday, March 30th, Cesar Chavez Day; April 9-13, Spring Break; and Wednesday, May 16, Reading Day.

Final exams are scheduled from Thursday, May 17 through Wednesday, May 23.

Commencement will be held on Thursday, May 24. Time 7:00 or 11:00 AM (Exact time TBD).

2011-12 Calendar is available at: <http://www.csustan.edu/HR/Apps-Forms-Policies-Procedures/Documents/Calendars/CollegeCalendar11-12.pdf>.

2012/13 Class Schedules – Days/Times TBD - Tentative and subject to change.

| Summer 2012 | Fall 2012 | Winter 2013 | Spring 2013 |
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| EDCL 5850/51 Field Experience | EDCL 5530 Testing in Education | EDCL 5850/51 Field Experience | EDCL 5570 Counseling & Guidance |
| | EDCL 5540 Couns. Except. Child | | EDCL 5600 Family Counseling |
| | EDCL 5570 Counseling & Guidance | | EDCL 5640 The Counselor |
| | EDCL 5600 Family Counseling | | EDCL 5650 School Group Guidance |
| EDIT 4170 Educational Tech Foundations | EDCL 5610 Educ. & Occup. Info | | EDCL 5760 Pupil Personnel Svcs |
| | EDGS 5630 Dealing w/ Differences | | EDCL 5770 College Counseling |
| | EDCL 5640 The Counselor | | EDCL 5780 Consultation & Superv. |
| | EDCL 5650 School Group Guidance | | EDCL 5850/51 Field Experience |
| | EDCL 5760 Pupil Personnel Svcs | | EDCL 5930 Practicum |
| | EDCL 5780 Consultation & Superv. | | |
| | EDCL 5850/51 Field Experience | | |
| | EDCL 5930 Practicum | | |
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| EDGS 5510 Intro to Educational Research | EDGS 5510 Intro to Educational Research | | EDGS 5510 Intro to Educational Research |
| | EDGS 5600 Intro to Qual Research | | EDGS 5610 Intro to Quant Research |
| EDIT 4170 Educational Tech Foundations | EDIT 4170 Educational Tech Foundations | | EDIT 4170 Educational Tech Foundations |

All course offerings are contingent on sufficient enrollment and funding.

CSUS Email Accounts

All messages will be sent via csustan email accounts, which have been created for all students by the Office of Instructional Technology. Please be sure that you have your login information and that you check this account daily. Information that could be sent to this account includes new program information, news of class cancellations, campus emergencies, etc. If you need help with your email account, contact the OIT Client Services at 667-3687, or go to: <http://www.csustan.edu/oit/ClientServices/index.html>. Directions for forwarding email from your csustan account to your primary email are also available from OIT.

Scholarship

The Nina Ribak-Rosenthal Memorial Scholarship **may** be awarded (if funding available) to one or more School Counseling students for the Fall 2012 semester. Complete information and application are available online at: <http://www.csustan.edu/FinancialAid/scholarships/>

Applicants must be fully admitted to the School Counseling program, have a minimum GPA of 3.0 for the last 60 units completed, and plan on full or part-time enrollment for the Fall 2012 semester. **Essay required** on the following subject: *Consider today's world and the social, political, economic, and/or environmental issues/concerns. Discuss one issue that you consider being poorly and/or unjustly handled. To what are you opposed? What do you suggest as a solution? How would you implement your idea?*

Applications **MUST** be submitted online. If you have any questions about submitting an application contact Diana Garz at (209) 664-6587. **The deadline is March 2, 2012.**