PSYCHOLOGY 694A
Clinical Assessment Practicum
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Overview
The focus of the assessment practicum is on learning to administer and interpret four clinical assessment tools: the Structured Clinical Interview for DSM-IV (SCID), the Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory (MMPI-2), the Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale-III (WAIS-III), and the Wechsler Memory Scale-III (WMS-III). Report writing is an important part of learning to convey interpretations to others in a clear and concise way; you will be asked to prepare reports on the assessments that you do. In addition, some time will be spent discussing the development and validation of these instruments in order to increase your awareness of the strengths and weaknesses of these tools.

Requirements

• Attendance at the four class meetings and completion of assigned readings.
  (See reference list attached to syllabus.)

• Completion of a total of 8 assessments, including 2 SCIDs, 2 MMPI-2s, 2 WAIS-III, and 2 WMS-III.

• Completion of 4 supervision sessions: one for the WAIS-III, one for the WMS-III, and two for the SCIDs.
  (Craig will observe the first WAIS-III and the first WMS-III administrations and then provide feedback. John and Craig will each listen to a different SCID interview on audiotape and then give feedback.)

• Completion of 8 clinical reports based on the results of 2 SCIDs, 2 MMPI-2s, 2 WAIS-III, and 2 WMS-III.
  (The format of these reports will be discussed in class.)

Class Schedule

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Scheduling Assessments

We will be recruiting INDV 101 students to serve as your subjects. For most of the assessments you will be free to schedule the appointment at your convenience. However, for one of the WAIS-III and one of the WMS-III administrations, you will be asked to coordinate with Craig’s schedule (which should be relatively flexible) to allow for observation and feedback. Details will be provided in class.

Several rooms are available in the Psychology Clinic to conduct assessments: 210a, 210b, 216, 220, and 240. You will need to sign up for them in a book you’ll find on the counter near Howard’s desk in the Clinic. However, please be aware that the Therapy Practicum (2nd year class) has priority for the clinic rooms, so it’s possible (but unlikely) that you may be asked to switch rooms. Your first choice for scheduling should be room 210b, since that room is least utilized by others.
Due Dates  (Reports need to be in Craig’s department mailbox by 5pm.)

Wed., September 17  1 SCID report
Wed., October 1    1 SCID report
Wed., October 8    1 MMPI-2 report, 1st supervision (John or Craig)
Wed., October 22   1 MMPI-2 report, 2nd supervision (John or Craig - whomever did not do 1st supervision)
Wed., October 29   1 WAIS-III report, supervision on one WAIS-III
Wed., November 12  1 WAIS-III report
Wed., November 19  1 WMS-III report, supervision on one WMS-III
Wed., December 3   1 WMS-III report

REFERENCES (Will be kept in a folder in the Assessment Materials Drawer)

SCID


MMPI-2

Butcher, J. N. Basic MMPI Workshop.


Personality Assessment, 59(1), 14-21.

**WAIS-R**


**WMS-R**
