



Interprofessional Mental Health & Addictions  
Post-Degree Diploma

***IMHA 514 Interprofessional Practice***  
*Winter/Summer 2017*

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**Online Course Delivery:** March 27<sup>th</sup> – July 3<sup>rd</sup>  
**Face-to-Face Delivery:** Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> 9am - 1:20pm WT203 (to be confirmed)  
(this is the first morning of the final two days on-campus in the IMHA Program)

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**Course Resources** - IMHA program texts and other resources listed in D2L in individual modules

- Egan, G. (2006). *Essentials of Skilled Helping: Managing Problems, Developing Opportunities*. Scarborough, ON: Nelson Education Ltd.

### Course Description

This course focuses on skills, knowledge, and values necessary for interprofessional practice in mental health & substance abuse services. Students will examine the responsibilities and obligations of the professional with emphasis on self-reflective and ethical evidence-based practice, including legislation and policies affecting the care of persons with mental health and/or substance use challenges.

### Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of IMHA 514 learners will:

1. Demonstrate responsible and ethical decision-making in interprofessional mental health and substance use environments.
2. Take responsibility for decisions and actions, and evaluate the effectiveness of these in collaborative care settings.
3. Articulate a philosophy of practice as an interprofessional mental health and substance use professional as it relates to the support of individuals and families.
4. Use effective and appropriate advocacy skills and strategies to advocate for individual and family supports and services.

**Prerequisites:** Successful completion of IMHA 510, 511, 512, & 513  
Students must obtain at least a B- in this course to complete the Diploma program.

**Student Assessment** - details of assignments will be provided in D2L

**Learning Activities (LA) #1 - 6**

**Personal Reflections – #1, 3, & 6**

**Total Value:** 24%

Students will post responses to readings and reflection questions in the D2L Dropbox throughout the course. This will involve application of course content in the practice setting as well as in other collaborative and/or interpersonal experiences.

# 1 - Professional Issues in Context	8%
# 3 - Teams in Practice	8%
# 6 - My Interprofessional Practice	8%

**Discussion Topics - #2, 4, & 5**

**Total Value:** 42%

Students will post relevant contributions to *Discussion* topics and engage in dialogue and critical analysis with other students about comments posted on the topic.

# 2 - Multi-Professional Environments (two parts)	14%
# 4 - Coping Strategies (two parts)	14%
# 5 - Facilitating Effective Practice (two parts)	14%

For each Discussion Topic, the instructor will assess participation using the following criteria:

- Ability to communicate ideas, demonstrate critical thinking skills, and organize comments to the Discussion posting in a logical fashion
- Ability to integrate the course material (readings, websites, module content) into postings
- Ability to promote or deepen the level of discussion and challenge ideas within the group

**Student Directed Learning**

**Total Value:** 34%

During the progression of IMHA 514 and 515, students will continue to gain insight into their own professional learning needs. For the final assignment in this course, students will articulate a learning goal and create an accompanying project to meet that need. Students have the freedom and opportunity to be creative and yet purposeful to develop a plan to match personal interests and professional needs.

The final project will be presented to the class on **July 4<sup>th</sup>**. Students will provide a rationale for their assignment and indicate how it will assist them to be a more effective practitioner, by **May 30<sup>th</sup>**. The rationale is valued at 4% and the project/presentation is weighted at 30% of the final grade.

Details will be provided; in the meantime students can start to consider areas of interest as they delve into this course. Students can reflect on topics that have left them wanting to know more. It is helpful to think about career plans and preparation for working with mental health & addiction clients. This is an opportunity to follow one's passion and enhance knowledge in an area that will help students be more effective as practitioners.

**Mandatory Participation:** Participation in all activities and online discussions is mandatory.

**Late Policy:** In exceptional circumstances, students may arrange with the instructor for an extension of an assignment **before** the due date. A professional's note or verifying documentation will be required. If an assignment is to be submitted online (reflections and discussions), it must be in by 11pm on the due date. If an assignment is to be submitted in hardcopy (Student Directed Learning), it is due by 4pm on the due date. In fairness to all students, late assignments will be deducted 5% per day.

Assignments specified for online submission must be in Word or Open Office format. Students are responsible for maintaining an electronic copy of all submitted work. All assignments must be successfully completed and receive a minimum "B-" grade to pass this course. This includes completion of **all** D2L Reflections & Discussions.

## 6. Grading System <http://www.camosun.bc.ca/policies/policies.php>

### Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	A		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	B		5
70-72	B-	Minimum level to complete Diploma	4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	C		2
50-59	D		1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

## 7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

### LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College Calendar, Student Services or the College web site at <http://www.camosun.bc.ca>

### STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, Registration, and on the College web site in the Policy Section. <http://www.camosun.bc.ca/policies/policies.html>

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