This hybrid course is offered as an advanced elective for students who are interested in clinical practices that bring behavioral health clinicians and primary care providers into close working alliances. The “Primary care behavioral health” model of integrated care is a conceptual framework that teams behavioral health clinicians and substance abuse counselors with medically-focused providers such as physicians, nurse practitioners, nurse case managers, and community health workers.

Course Objectives:

- Increase understanding of the historical and philosophical contexts of integrative healthcare
- Acquire knowledge and professional skills necessary for effective teaming with primary care providers
- Show evidence of ability to conduct a functional assessment within a primary care setting and create a treatment plan that addresses both behavioral health and primary health needs
- Demonstrate competencies required for successful work as a “Behavioral Health Consultant” in healthcare settings

Text and Reading Assignments:


Course Requirements:
Readings, online discussion forums, online videos, regular attendance at the weekly class on campus, video production on a role-play assessment and action plan, and a final paper. No specialized software is needed. Students should have a reliable tablet or laptop.