

MENNONITE BROTHERS BIBLICAL SEMINARY

COURSE: MF- 637
TITLE: GROUP COUNSELING
UNITS: 1.0
OFFERED: FALL, 2006
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SCHEDULE: MONDAY, 9/11, 10/9, 11/13, 12/11
6:00- 8:30 P.M.

PRIMARY TEXT(S):

Yalom, Irvin & Leszcz, Mlyn (2005). Theory and Practice of Group Psychotherapy (Fifth Edition). New York, New York: Basic Books.

* The third or fourth edition of Yalom's book will also be accepted*

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course will familiarize students with the theory and practice of group counseling, in both congregational and clinical settings. Various types of groups will be surveyed and students are expected to participate in a group counseling experience.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

Students will learn to distinguish among types of group counseling experiences and their appropriate uses. Students will be able to compare and contrast the clinical and theological importance of group counseling versus other modalities. Students will gain a basic understanding of group leadership roles and stages of group process.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND EVALUATION:

Attendance and participation:	10 points	Group visit/report:	30 points
Log of required reading:	20 points	Structured group activity:	40 points

GRADING:

Assignments must be turned in on time for full credit. Late assignments result in a deduction of points equivalent to one-half letter grade for every two days late. Students must attend a minimum of 9 hours class time to receive passing credit for the class.

A= 100- 94%	A-= 93- 90%	B+= 89- 87%
B= 86- 83%	B-= 82- 80%	F= 69% and below

CLASS POLICIES:

Please refer to the online Academic Handbook for an explanation of academic policies.