Supervised Internship Experiences

M.A. Clinical Mental Health Counseling – Reflection Paper

Directions for Mid-Point/Final Reflection Paper:

- 1. Prepare an APA-formatted paper which provides evidence that you are successfully engaged in each of the evaluation categories shown in the rubric below. There is no paper length requirement, per se, however, you should aim for all 4's in the rubric shown below.
- 2. Please submit this reflection paper to your Agency Supervisor for feedback and recommended revisions prior to completing your mid-point/final evaluations.
- 3. Once your Agency Supervisor has read and offered feedback about this assignment, email the paper to your NAU internship instructor. Your NAU instructor may require some revision.
- 4. The instructor will use the rubric shown below to evaluate your paper.

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	Inadequate value: 1.00	Adequate value: 2.00	Good value: 3.00	Excellent value: 4.00
GOALS & OBJECTIVES: Reflective thinking on goals and objectives related to the promotion of client well-being and improving agency functioning	Demonstrates vague, unclear goals or goals not closely aligned with the mission of community counseling and/or little or vague description of progress and little or no future goal orientation.	Demonstrates basic goals/objectives for promoting client well-being.	Demonstrates thoughtful identification of goals/objectives to promote all client well-being.	Demonstrates exceptional insight and thorough articulation of goals/objectives to promote well-being for all client well-being.
ACTIONS TAKEN: Reflective thinking on actions taken to achieve goals and objectives	Demonstrates vague, unclear actions or actions that are not aligned with contract objectives	Demonstrates basic actions that are adequately aligned with contract objectives	Demonstrates thoughtful actions that are well-aligned with contract objectives	Demonstrates exceptional insight and thorough articulation of actions taken to achieve contract goals and objectives
THEORIES & TECHNIQUES: Reflective thinking on the counseling theories and techniques that have been actively used, and any other community counseling core knowledge that has been integrated into the internship experience.	Demonstrates poorly explained or inappropriate explanation of counseling theories and techniques used in direct services with clients	A very basic explanation of counseling theories and techniques used in direct services with clients	Demonstrates thoughtful and articulate explanation of counseling theories and techniques used in direct services with clients	Demonstrates very thorough and well-organized explanation of counseling theories and techniques used in direct services with clients

DATA MANAGEMENT: Reflective	Minimally or poorly	Basic/vague reflective	Thoughtful reflective thinking	Detailed and insightful
thinking on methods & outcomes	organized thinking about	thinking about data	about data collection to	reflective thinking about data
used for data collection to assess	data collection to assess your	collection to assess your	assess your overall	collection to assess your
your overall effectiveness as a	overall effectiveness as a	overall effectiveness as a	effectiveness as a counselor	overall effectiveness as a
counselor	counselor with limited	counselor with limited	with moderate details.	counselor with high level of
	details.	details.		detail.
EVIDENCEBASED TREATMENT	Minimal and/or poorly	Basic/vague descriptions in	Thoughtful but not detailed	Detailed and articulate
Reflective thinking on how	organized description of ways	which you have successfully	descriptions of ways in which	descriptions of ways in which
scientific research in the counseling	which you have successfully	integrated evidence-based	you have successfully	you have successfully
discipline has been used in	integrated evidence-based	research into your work with	integrated evidence-based	integrated evidence-based
treatment planning and specific	research into your work with	clients.	research into your work with	research into your work with
interventions	clients.		clients.	clients.
PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIPS:	Poorly described or	Basic description of	Demonstrates thoughtful and	Demonstrates excellence and
Describe your interactions with key	inadequate interactions with	interactions with key agency	articulate explanation of	very articulate explanations
agency personnel, as well as	key agency personnel, as well	personnel, as well as	interactions with key agency	of interactions with key
relationships outside of the agency,	as relationships outside of	relationships outside of the	personnel, as well as	agency personnel, as well as
and how you have navigated these	the agency, and how these	agency, and how these have	relationships outside of the	relationships outside of the
relationships in ways that have	have been navigated in ways	been navigated in ways that	agency, and how these have	agency, and how these have
helped you in your work.	that have helped you in your	have helped you in your work	been navigated in ways that	been navigated in ways that
	work.		have helped you in your work	have helped you in your work
MULTICULTURAL COMPETENCIES:	Minimal and/or poorly	Basic/vague description of	Thoughtful but not detailed	Detailed and articulate
Reflective thinking about how you	organized description of how	how you have applied	descriptions of how you have	descriptions of how you have
have interacted with a variety of	you have applied	multicultural competencies	applied multicultural	applied multicultural
clients, including those with	multicultural competencies	with diverse populations.	competencies with diverse	competencies with diverse
disabilities and/or those from	with diverse populations		populations.	populations.
diverse ethnic, racial, gender, and				
SES groups.				
TECHNOLOGY: Describe how you	Minimal and/or poorly	Basic/vague description of	Thoughtful but not detailed	Detailed and insightful
have successfully used technology/	organized description of use	one use of technology in	description of use of	description of use of
technologies in order to benefit	of technology in order to	order to benefit your own	technology in order to	technology in order to
your development, as well as your	benefit your own	development, as well as your	benefit your own	benefit your own
clients' overall well-being.	development, as well your	clients overall well-being	development, as well as your	development, as well as your
	clients overall well-being		clients overall well-being	clients overall well-being.

LEGAL & ETHICAL CHALLENGES: Reflective thinking on legal and ethical issues encountered and how they were or will be resolved.	Minimal and/or poorly organized description of legal and ethical issues encountered and how they were or will be resolved.	Basic/vague description of legal and ethical issues encountered and how they were or will be resolved.	Thoughtful but not detailed descriptions of legal and ethical issues encountered and how they were or will be resolved.	Detailed and articulate descriptions of legal and ethical issues encountered and how they were or will be resolved. Demonstrates exceptional insight and thorough understanding of relevant legal and ethical issues in internship experiences and how they were or will be resolved
STRENGHTS & AREAS OF IMPROVEMENT: Reflective thinking on strengths and areas of improvement.	Minimal and/or poorly organized description of strengths and areas of improvement with basic/vague improvement plan.	Basic/vague description of 1 strength and 1 or more areas of improvement with basic/vague improvement plan.	Thoughtful but not detailed reflection about 2 or more strengths and 2 or more areas of improvement with an improvement plan.	Detailed and articulate reflection about 3 or more strengths and 3 or more areas of improvement with well defined improvement plan.
GOALS FOR REMAINDER OF INTERNSHIP*: Reflective thinking about ways you intend to continue reaching your initial goals and objectives during the remainder of the internship that focus on improving client welfare with an emphasis of improving practice as a community counselor. * When writing the Final Reflection Paper, write about goals for immediate future in the field.	Demonstrates minimal or inadequate reflective thinking about ways in which you intend to continue reaching your initial goals and objectives during the remainder of the internship	Demonstrates basic reflective thinking about ways in which you intend to continue reaching your initial goals and objectives during the remainder of the internship	Demonstrates thoughtful and articulate reflective thinking about ways in which you intend to continue reaching your initial goals and objectives during the remainder of the internship	Demonstrates excellence and very well-articulated reflective thinking about ways in which you intend to continue reaching your initial goals and objectives during the remainder of the internship
WRITING SKILLS: Careful organization of ideas using assigned headings, APAformatted and error-free	Demonstrates poor organization, lack of APA formatting, and frequent errors in grammar, punctuation and spelling, etc.	Demonstrates basic organization of ideas, with errors in APA-formatting, and/or grammar, punctuation and spelling, etc.	Demonstrates good organization of ideas, use of assigned headings, and APA formatting, with occasional minor errors.	Demonstrates excellence in organization of ideas, use of assigned headings, APA formatting, and is error-free.