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Review

From reviews of the text:

“*The Professional Counselor* is a very clearly written text that the first-semester Master of Counseling students can easily grasp the content. I also received similar feedback from the students . . . [C]hapters are structured in a manner that provides concreteness and continuity within the content. Therefore, it is easy to follow and understand for entry-level students. The written language of the book is very clear. The content is supported by good examples that help with the comprehension . . . [T]he interventions (affective, cognitive, behavioral, and systemic) chapters are very well described.”

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“*The Professional Counselor* . . . provides the beginning counselor the opportunity for a comprehensive overview of the process of counseling while further delivering specific interventions and approaches (i.e. fundamental counseling skills) . . . While this is a text book with a focus on the counseling profession it doubly serves as a reference resource to providing an effective counseling program . . . The key strengths of this text are the concise explanations of counseling concepts with practical clinical applications . . . [M]any of my students comment on how helpful the text is in understanding the concepts of counseling . . . This text is superior to others that I have used in that it explains practical applications of interventions and how to deliver those to the client.”

—Oscar Sida, University of Nevada Las Vegas

From the Back Cover

How to think about the profession and process of counseling is what this book is all about. The intimacy of counseling relationships; what facilitates positive relationships; how to become an effective, successful counselor; and how to measure your outcomes are what students and beginning counselors gain from spending time with this book. By guiding readers through the entire counseling process—from initial client contact to relationship building, assessment, goal setting strategy selection, treatment planning, and finally evaluation and termination—the authors give readers the concepts, skills, interventions, strategies, and techniques they need to achieve effective results with their clients.

- Each of the intervention chapters presents **a case with different treatments scenarios**.
- **A roadmap for assessment** helps readers plan for interventions is presented in the form of a five-step model (used in the NCE examination).
- **Guidelines are included for assessing cases** using five theoretical contexts—affective, cognitive, behavioral, and theoretical.
- **Alternate ways of working with clients** are identified through spiritual issues.
- **A separate chapter on client assessment and treatment planning** incorporates specific counseling

interventions.

New to this edition are:

- **A quick index to CACREP-related material** useful for preparing can for the state licensure/certification examination study,
- **New case examples** illustrating how skills and competencies can be applied to actual counseling cases.
- **Up to the minute, expanded research and references.**
- **Web-based video illustrations or counseling skills and procedures** at the end of each chapter.
- **Specific guidance on ethical behavior and consequences** of not following ethical codes.
- **Clear examinations and comparisons of ethical codes** of various sub-specialties with the counseling field.
- **Ideas for visualizing the same case with different treatments.**

About the Author

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