



Winter 2012

Selected Topics, Special Topics and Workshop Course Descriptions

Art and Design Department

**ARGS 260 01 Visual Art Workshop: The Cultural Study of Jewelry and Adornment
3 s.h.**

This course is an overview of jewelry implementation and the function of adornment across time, from ancient to modern day man, and across cultures, including Europe, Asia, Africa, and the Americas. Students are exposed to a variety of aesthetics and styles within a socio-cultural framework. Students will also examine the development of jewelry technology. It is open to all MSU students and visiting students.

Broadcasting Department

**BDCS 470 01 Special Studies in Broadcasting: Writing and Reporting for the Web
3 s.h.**

A workshop explaining the techniques and tools used to clearly and quickly present the news online. The course, conducted mostly over the Internet, will cover breaking news, photo-caption writing, blogging and social networking. Students will improve their journalistic abilities in these areas by covering and reporting stories. Digital camera required.

Prerequisites: BDCS 101; Broadcasting majors only.

BDCS 470 02 Special Studies in Broadcasting: International Broadcasting 1 s.h.

Unlike many other industries, jobs in media give you the opportunity to work overseas. Whether it's a short trip or a permanent relocation, traveling and living far away from home is an exciting and challenging career option. But the transition abroad doesn't come easy. The hardest part comes before you even buy your plane ticket. This online course will offer the student a framework for the planning needed to work internationally. Through independent research, selected readings, and an interview project, they will learn how to prepare for travel related to a profession in the media.

Prerequisites: BDCS 101; Broadcasting majors only.

Counseling and Educational Leadership

COUN 653 01 Selected Topics in Counseling: Introduction to Clinical Mental Health Counseling 3 s.h.

This course is for those with a community concentration and is required for newer students, but also for post-masters certificate students and doctoral students, who want more exposure to clinical mental health counseling. This course is designed to introduce students to the profession of community mental health counseling. This course will examine the historical, societal, cultural, and fiscal dimensions of community mental health counseling. Students will engage in a critical examination of the roles, functions,

ethical responsibilities and settings of mental health counseling professionals. Functions of community counselors will be discussed including an understanding of needs assessments, program development, grant writing, fiscal management, and program evaluation. Ethical, legal, and professional issues related to community counseling will be presented, including issues related to clinical private practice settings. Students will study issues related to credentialing, licensure, and professional development. Students will also learn skills in technological competence and computer literacy necessary for effective professional community counseling practice. Course is Hybrid and most work is done online. This is offered as a portfolio-type course.

Prerequisite: Graduate students with majors in the Counseling and Educational Leadership (CNEL) department only.

ELAD 670 Selected Topics in Administration and Supervision: Issues in Special Education Leadership 3 s.h.

If you work within the field of education the knowledge and understanding of the needs of special populations, and the rules and regulations that govern their education are important to successfully leading schools and districts. The school administrator's role in ensuring students', parents', and teachers' rights and responsibilities with respect to the provision of special education and related services will be explored. Specifically, the parameters for determining those rights will be studied as well as the practical implications for the school administrator. Students will utilize current web-based statutory and regulatory documents as well as relevant case law to assist with these issues.

Prerequisites: Graduate students in ELAD, ELET, ELAO, PRIN, ADSU or department approval.

Justice Studies Department

JUST 398 01 Selected Topics in Justice Studies: Technology in the Criminal Justice System 3 s.h.

This course will examine the advances that technology has brought to the criminal justice system. It will explore devices that law enforcement use in the detection of crime, apprehension of suspects and protection of the public. The objectives of the course are as follow:

- To introduce the student to technology used by personnel within the criminal justice system.
- To illustrate how crime detection and suspect apprehension are increased through use of technology.
- To explore various emergency response systems.

Prerequisites: JUST 101 or JUST 102 or JUST 200 or JUST 201 or departmental approval.

Psychology Department

PSYC 659 01 Special Topic Seminar in Psychology: Ethics for Psychologists 3 s.h.

This course focuses on the Ethical Principles of Psychologists of the American Psychological Association, as well as standard providers of psychological services and codes of ethics from other mental health professionals. State and federal laws as well as

case law affecting the work of psychological service providers are considered. Considerations of social justice, equity, and human diversity are given special emphasis. In addition, this course teaches the process of ethical decision-making, taking into consideration real-life situations faced by psychologists. Students become aware of the nature of the ethical dilemmas they face; integrate knowledge of laws and ethical codes; develop an awareness of issues faced by psychologists in treatment settings; and advance their skills in ethical decision making.

Prerequisites: Departmental approval, and completion of 15 or more credits in one's program.