



# Wayne County Community College District

## COURSE SYLLABUS

### MEH 140 Mental Health Legal Information

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**CREDIT HOURS:** 3.00

**CONTACT HOURS:** 45.00

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This course focuses on legal information useful in intervention strategies for consumers of human services.

**PREREQUISITES:**

HUS 105 and HUS 110

**EXPECTED COMPETENCIES:**

Upon completion of this course, the student will be familiar with:

1. Understand the provisions of Act 258 of the State of Michigan Mental Health Code, 2001 and Amendments.
2. Know the procedure for the civil admission and discharge of mentally retarded and developmentally disabled persons to and from facilities
3. Know the procedure for the civil admission and discharge of mentally ill persons to and from mental health facilities.
4. Understand guardianship arrangements, referral procedure for community mental health programs and the family support subsidy program.
5. Know the legal implications of the mentally ill and mentally retarded persons who are under criminal sentence, incompetent to stand trial, and persons who are found to be “not guilty” by reason of insanity.
6. Understand the effect of deinstitutionalization of mental health in Michigan.
7. Understand contemporary concepts of consumerism, recipient rights, person — centered services, recovery, client self-determination and contemporary systems of managed care.
8. Greater awareness of mental health issues as presented in the media (newspapers, television, articles, radio, magazines, and journals).

**ASSESSMENT METHODS:**

Student performance may be assessed by examination, quizzes, case studies, oral conversation, group discussion, oral presentations. The instructor reserves the option to employ one or more of these assessment methods during the course.

**GRADING SCALE:**

90%-100% = A

80%-89.9%= B

70%-79.9%= C

60%-69.9%= D

<60% = E