Narrative Therapy Training Course - Theory and Practice

Professional Development Course 2015

Course Aim
To develop students' knowledge and skills in the Narrative Therapy approach of Michael White and David Epston.

Course Description
The course explores the core ideas and practices of the Narrative approach in general and its use in specific areas of practice, such as couple work, families, children, mental health, violence and abuse. The underlying theories such as post-structuralism are introduced, and the ethics and politics of practice are discussed. Classes are interactive and you are invited to engage with staff in a participatory style of education.

Teaching staff include Dr Ron Findlay, other Bouverie staff members, local and interstate guest lecturers.

^ subject to numbers

NB: Although this course is not being run as an award course in 2015, for those who choose the assessed option, it may attract 1/3 RPL in The Master of Narrative Therapy and Community Work at Melbourne University subject to successful completion of all assessments.

You may be able to claim a deduction for your studies, see https://www.ato.gov.au/individuals/income-and-deductions/deductions-you-can-claim/self-education-expenses/

Course Structure
Day/Time:  Fridays 10:00am to 5:00pm - 3hrs theory and 3hrs practice.
Duration:  1 year over 24 Fridays from Feb to October
Dates:  
February 27th
March 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th  2 week break
April 17th, 24th
May 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th  Mid year break
July 17th, 24th, 31st
August 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th
September 4th, 11th, 18th  2 week break
October 9th, 16th

Note: For those doing the assessment option there will be two extra assessment days Friday 5th June and Friday 23rd June
Teaching Methods
- Face-to-Face at The Bouverie Centre:
  - theory seminars
  - interactive and experiential classes focused on developing skills

Entry Requirements
Undergraduate degree or equivalent, preferably in a counselling, health, community or welfare field. Special consideration may be given to candidates that do not have an undergraduate degree but have worked in health, welfare or education field.

All students/participants registering for the assessed option are also required to be working with people in paid or voluntary work for a minimum 3 hours a week for the duration of the course where they can practice narrative skills, and will need to arrange this themselves.

Additional Information
- This course is NOT a La Trobe University Graduate Certificate course
- All required reading for books will be provided free for a one year loan for the duration of the course to be returned on completion. All required articles for weekly reading can be provided free as electronic material, however they can be provided as paper copies on request for a fee to be determined.
- minimum attendance to complete the course is 20 weeks for the year

Location
The Bouverie Centre, 8 Gardiner St, Brunswick, Victoria  Ph (03) 9385 5100

Fee Amount
$4,990 if participating in full assessment
$4,740 if non assessed

Next Steps
1. Register online by 1st December at www.bouverie.org.au/training/pd
2. Scroll down the 2015 calendar to February to “Narrative Therapy” event
3. Click “Book now” and enter your details

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