

ECPS5010 Additional Guidance Sheet

Case Study Essay

General Information

- No personal pronouns (I, we, our, etc)
- This is to be written in a narrative format – essay – (*no use of headers*)
- Read the Assessment Specification Form for Assessment Guidance & Marking Criteria –

Referencing

- Quality vs Quantity – Too little means less engagement – too may mean you have not really read all these pieces of work.
- APA referencing Style... Please read your handbook
- Need to demonstrate engagement with wider & depth of reading/peer reviewed articles.
- Acknowledge authors of the work you have been reading and demonstrate and understanding of the reading
- Journal Articles –Work towards the current research 5 years to present - Some primary work of original authors, can be earlier in date
- Credible Websites – NHS, ICE, BACP (ethical frameworks) BABCP – other accredited bodies

The introduction will include:

- Introductory statement of purpose of essay
- Paraphrasing of your case study scenario and the presenting issues. Instead of using name, use Client
- Introduce counselling approach/interventions

The body of the essay will demonstrate:

- Knowledge and understanding of the approach – brief background and supportive evidence
- Critical awareness and evaluation of the approach – learning to synthesise your evaluations
- Knowledge of limitations or challenges
- Knowledge of presenting issue with the approach that is being chosen
- Application of approach and interventions with the case scenario client again with supportive evidence and critiques
- Any ethical implications

Conclusion

- Summarisation/Synthesis of the approach that best fits the scenario with supportive evidence and comments.
- Are there any further recommendation that can be highlighted going forward.

