



Practice Reality

(589127) 15 Points

Paper overview

Critically analyses the impact of the practice reality on the experience of the client and the health professional. Brings a variety of philosophical paradigms to the analysis of practice situations

Programme study options

This paper is available from the faculty of Health and Environmental Sciences in all specialisation areas and is a core paper for the PGDiploma in Health Sciences

Who can study this paper?

This paper is for **Registered Health Professionals** who:

- Have registration from a 3 year programme or equivalent, congruent with the HPCA Act 2003
- Is enrolled in a Postgraduate Diploma in the Faculty of Health and Environmental Sciences

What you can expect to learn

This paper covers the following topics:

- Positivism
- Hermeneutics
- Critical perspective
- Maori
- Post-modernism
- Consumer perspective
- Practice perspective

What you need to study this paper

- To study this paper it is essential you have a computer, internet (broadband preferred), email access and access to a clinical practice setting.

Paper Leader: Associate Professor Liz Smythe, PhD, Post-graduate Diploma in Social Science, BA Social Science (Nursing), Massey Scholar.

Liz is an experienced hermeneutic researcher. Her doctoral thesis explored the meaning of being safe in childbirth, drawing on the philosophies of Heidegger and Gadamer. She has since done studies in the thinking of postgraduate education, leadership, the rise of postgraduate education, and professional supervision. She has supervised over 25 masters theses/dissertations and eight doctoral studies, most using hermeneutic methodology. To date, she has 38 peer reviewed journal and book publications.

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Teaching style, dates and location details

Location: North Shore Campus

Online: Entirely online

Offered Semester 1 & Semester 2

Teaching style: This on-line paper weaves teaching & reading & thinking & responding together. Students are active participants throughout the paper. Web sites are used extensively to provoke thinking. Students are encouraged to relate the ideas presented to their own experiences of practice. They will offer relevant analysis to further inform understanding of their unique practice/life situation. The range of disciplines in this paper opens a dialogue that stretches, challenges and takes each person beyond their known world of practice.

How much time will I need to commit to the paper?

This is dependant on your other commitments and the speed at which you learn and work, but on average a 15 point paper typically involves around 15 hours per week

How much does this paper cost?

15 point paper tuition fees for domestic students in 2012 is approximately NZ\$1000. Additional fees for study may include; a learner services levy, student association (AUSM) fee, charges and paper activity fees. Please contact us for further information (International students email international.centre@aut.ac.nz).

How this paper will be assessed

On-line contributions related to the different philosophical paradigms are assessed against learning outcomes throughout the paper. There will be formative feedback during the paper with a final grade awarded at the end.

Enrolment process

New students: Contact the Student Information Centre

Phone: 0800 AUT UNI (0800 288 864) or Email: courseinfo@aut.ac.nz

Returning students: Go online to AUTonline, <https://autonline.ac.nz>

- A. Check paper timetable by clicking on 'Timetable' option
- B. Then, complete '2011 re-enrolment form' by clicking on 'Forms' option
- C. Then, email us the completed form.

Enrolment and paper information

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