EDHS 524, Substance Abuse in Society: Fall, 2004  
Additional Information

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Class Meetings: Mondays 7:00-9:45  Office Hours: By appointment

COURSE GRADING (Note: these values replace those on the EDHS 224/524 syllabus)

- Attendance/Participation 10%
- Personal Drug Philosophy Paper 10%
- Self-Help Group Observation Paper 10%
- Current Issue Analysis 10%
- Midterm 15%
- Class Project 25%
- Final Exam 20%

ADDITIONAL COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

- **Current Issue Analysis:** Explore a current issue relating to substances, substance use/abuse, treatment or recovery. (For example, see the weekly notices issued by the Higher Education Center on Alcohol and Other Drugs--see the following [http://www.edc.org/hec/news/hecnews/instructions.html](http://www.edc.org/hec/news/hecnews/instructions.html) for information). Write a 2-3 page paper summarizing the issue of interest, exploring possible ramifications, and giving your opinion on its relevance to the course topic. **Due Oct 18.**

- **Self-Help Group Observation:** EDHS 524 students are required to attend at least three self-help group meetings related to the course topic (substance abuse). These may include Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, Al-Anon, Nar-Anon, Secular Organizations for Sobriety (SOS), Women for Sobriety, Rational Recovery, or another group **approved by the instructor.** It is preferred that at least two different types of groups be included in the three attended. It is recommended that “Open” meetings be attended in order to be respectful of the members. Meetings need not be only those held in Charlottesville; in fact, a greater variety of experience may be gained by attending at least one meeting elsewhere. A five-page written description of your experience, focusing on your reactions, is due on Nov. 8.

- **Final Project:** EDHS 524 students must work alone, or at most in a group of two, as opposed to the larger groups for the EDHS 224 students. Additionally, at least a part of the project must include a brief presentation to the class of your work. **Due Nov. 22.** (Class presentations will be held on November 29th and December 6th.)