

Student Support Services at ACPE Academic Support

ACPE is aware that from time to time, personal issues may impact upon a student's ability to study and complete the required assessment tasks within a semester. When personal issues arise, ACPE has support services available for students to access. In addition to these services, ACPE established an Academic Development Office in 2006 that supports the development of professional skills and academic requirements. When the need for additional academic support arises, the following staff should be approached in order.

Academic Support Services
1. Lecturer
2. Unit Co-ordinator
3. Library Staff
4. Academic Development Office

The Library provide additional support services for students and deliver the Information Literacy Program at ACPE.

Key personnel are available to support students at ACPE. Their details are listed below.

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Student Support

ACPE understands the importance of providing emotional and psychological support to students. For this reason ACPE has its own Student Counsellor three days a week. This is a free service to students and staff and is completely confidential.

You can make an appointment to see Jacqueline McDiarmid at the No. 8 building (across from the prac office) on either a **Tuesday** or a **Thursday** or a **Friday**. The best way to make this appointment is by email on counsellor@acpe.edu.au.

Jacqueline has experience in a range of issues and all sessions are held in a private space. Some of the issues Jacqueline sees students for are:

- Depression
- Anxiety
- Eating Problems
- Family Problems
- Relationship Problems
- Support

Please feel free to email Jacqueline if you wish to ask a question or make an appointment. The service is here to support you.

ADDITIONAL STUDENT INFORMATION

FREE OR LOW-COST COUNSELLING SERVICES

Salvos	9331 6000
Crisis line	9331 2000
Lifeline	131114
Gay & Lesbian Counselling	8594 9596
Mensline	1300 789 978
DOCS DV Line	1800 656
Victims of Crime	9217 1000 also 8688 5400
Rape Crisis / Sexual Assault	9819 6565
Parent Line	1300 30 1300

OTHER PSYCHOLOGISTS IN THIS AREA

Mr Michel Mazaleigue	Merrylands	9251 3966
Ms Reshmi Pal	Merrylands	0414 990 533
Dr Mahmoud Abu-Arab	Granville	9682 5111
	Parramatta	9806 0667
Ms Sally Ng	Lidcombe	0405 606 578
Ms Anne Nguyen	Parramatta	0423 144 301
Mr Malcolm Desland	Parramatta	0419 402 518
Miss Natalie Crino	Parramatta	0420 203 535
Dr Cindy Nour	Parramatta	0413 650 719
Mrs Olga Asad	Parramatta	8836 6354
Dr David Luke	Parramatta	9891 1388
Ms Josephine Capitani	Wentworthville	9631 8944
Dr Angelo Schibeci	Wentworthville	96318944
Ms Simone Serg	Wentworthville	1300 799 579
Mr Bernadino Cipriani	Westmead	0409 916 207
Mr Christopher Basten	Westmead	9891 1766

Or check out Australian Psychological Society Website:

www.psychology.org.au

Click on community information.

Mental Health Association NSW Inc: <http://www.mentalhealth.asn.au/>

Ph. 02 9816 5688 (Sydney) or 1800 674 200 (if you live in the country) Contact this association to find out the number for your nearest mental health service. Hours are from 9am to 5 pm from Monday to Friday.

NSW government mental health services: <http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/services/>

You can search this site to locate mental health services in your own area. Under 'service type' select mental health.

Black Dog Institute, Prince of Wales Hospital and University of New South Wales.

Ph. 02 9382 4530; <http://www.blackdoginstitute.org.au/>

Expert information on depression and Bipolar Disorder (for the general public as well as professionals); information about causes, treatments, online self-assessment tools, a special section for consumers and carers on getting help.

GROW: Ph. 02 9569 5566

This is a self help organisation for people who suffer from depression and other mental illnesses.

POSIE: Ph: 02 9489 091; <http://www.posie.org.au/>

POSIE is a non-profit group which provides support for families affected by antenatal and postnatal depression or anxiety.

BabyBumps: Ph: 02 99404825; <http://www.babybumps.com.au/>

BabyBumps is a support group based in the Hornsby area, for mothers and families experiencing perinatal mood disorders.

Carers organisations

ARAFMI (Association of Relatives and Friends of the Mentally Ill): Ph 02 9805 1883 or Toll

Free 1800 655 198 (NSW residents only); <http://www.arafmi.org/>

This is an association for carers of people with a mental illness.

Carer's Association: Ph. 02 9280 4744; Ph. 1800 242 636 (toll free);

<http://www.carernsw.asn.au/>

Emergency help

If you are feeling suicidal or need urgent help call one of the following:

Emergency - 000

Lifeline - 13 11 14

Kids HelpLine - 1800 55 1800

The nearest hospital: They can arrange a crisis team to come or can advise where to get help in your area.

Salvo suicide helpline: Ph: 02 9331 2000