COURSE OBJECTIVES

The course content should provide students with opportunities to

1. understand the basic skills associated with interpersonal communication (both verbal and non verbal)

2. demonstrate command and usage of communication skills in controlled situations

3. develop an understanding of and an appreciation for the need for confidentiality in all helping relationships

4. understand the dynamics associated with group interaction and demonstrate a knowledge of how these dynamics may affect group processes

5. have an awareness of a number of adolescent-oriented problems and of the variety of ways these problems may affect an individual

6. demonstrate an understanding of the network of helping agencies in their immediate geographic area and a knowledge of how these agencies may be accessed

7. be aware of the need to maintain an objective professional distance with respect to assisting others with personal problems