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Posted on: Monday, January 6, 2020 6:00:00 AM EST

Today is the last day to register for classes beginning on Jan. 13. If you haven't already, register through our registration tool today!

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Posted by: Joy Mwendwa

Finals Grades Posted and Merry Christmas!

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Posted on: Monday, December 16, 2019 11:30:47 PM EST

Sisters and Brothers,

It has been a delight for Brandon and I to interact with you this Fall D 2019 sub-term!

Thank you for your courage to grow both professionally and personally! Please note that your final grades have been posted. Excellent work on successfully completing this class!

I would also like to publicly **thank Mr. Brandon Waggoner** for his excellent input, insight in feedback, and support to our class this sub-term! I have no doubt you will continue to enrich students' lives as you continue in this important journey.

All the best and thank you again for your hard work and God bless you! Keep me posted if I can be of any assistance as you move forward in your program.

Merry Christmas to you and yours!

Dr. Joy Mwendwa

Congratulations - Final Week of Class!

Posted by: Joy Mwendwa
Posted to: 201940 Fall 2019
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Posted on: Wednesday, December 11, 2019 12:30:00 AM EST

Dear Sisters and Brothers!

Congratulations for being a day away from the end of this class! Thank YOU all for working hard and for pushing yourselves to grow both professionally and personally! It has been an honor for me to interact with all of you this semester!

"May the LORD repay you for what you have done. May you be richly rewarded by the LORD, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge. " Ruth 2:12

What a delight to be part of God's story and to serve alongside Him in helping people! Thank you for also growing as individuals as this directly impacts how we engage our clients. Please know that you have my support as you move along.

Also, kindly note that your final grades will be graded to the Registrar's Office by end of next week.

Thank you again for all your hard work!!

Blessings,

Joy Mwendwa

A Quick Reminder....

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Week 7 Letter

Posted on: Monday, December 2, 2019 11:51:34 PM EST

Dear COUN Students,

Thank you again for your diligence as we wind down the course. We are working on grading your most recently submitted assignments.

Devotional:

And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. Ephesians 6:18

Our devotional thought this week is linked to a necessity we must focus on as believers – prayer! I attended Liberty University's main campus in Lynchburg, VA for my undergraduate psychology degree. One of the best parts of attending the campus was listening to Dr. Jerry Falwell Sr. during the church and convocation services. Perhaps two of his greatest quotes that he repeated through my four years at LU were regarding prayer. He would remind us the following:

“Nothing of eternal significance is accomplished apart from prayer”

“All failures are prayer failures.”

It was evident that Dr. Falwell modeled this prayer life in the tasks he undertook. From observing this in him, I am still encouraged and challenged today, to pray about all things. Our

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God desires to hear from us. What an amazing reality to know that the curtain was indeed ripped in two and thus, all of us, as God's children, have access to Our Father! Let's continue to talk to Him at all the time and regarding all things.

Due this week:

- Discussion Board Forum 3
- Career Exploration Paper
- Quiz 7

Finish strong!

Blessings,
Joy

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School of Behavioral Sciences

Happy Thanksgiving

Posted on: Thursday, November 28, 2019 12:46:20 AM EST

Happy Thanksgiving to all of you!!

I am grateful for all of you. Thank you again for your hard work both in this class and beyond that, just saying YES to this preparation stage!!

The other day, our five-year-old son was praying for our dinner. He mentioned the expected, "thank you Jesus for our food", and then he added a few new things to his prayer ... "thank you Jesus for our spoons and our cups". We said our amen-s at the end and I smiled as I was reminded that indeed, it is important to thank God for everything - big and small.

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Week 6 Letter

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Ladies and Gentlemen,
Happy Thanksgiving Week!

You have two more weeks of class!! While the end is in sight, I can also imagine that it is getting even more strenuous with the remaining workload. Please keep working faithfully and diligently as you have to this point. In the event of an emergency or a major 'life-happening', please keep me posted as to where you are. I desire to help, so keep me informed. You have each come so far and I have faith that you can complete this class successfully. The One who calls YOU is faithful and He will do it ...1 Thes 5:24

Due this week:

- Group Discussion Board Forum (now available)
- Quiz 6

Devotional:

“For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Romans 8:38-39

These verses continue to find new beginning with the different experiences I encounter in life. When we think of who God is – His power and majesty, and then think about this Mighty God and His boundless love for us, the lenses we view the circumstances we face must be altered by God's love! No wonder the devil tries everything to convince us that we are not loved. This lie has to be fought with faith and trust in God through His word. Yes, we are loved and yes, nothing can separate us from His love. My prayer for you this week is that like Jonathan Edwards, we will “examine carefully and constantly, what that one thing in me is, which causes me in the least to doubt of the love of God; and so direct all my forces against it.” YOU and I are loved with an everlasting love. May we believe in God and His love for us this week!

Brandon and I pray for you all, so feel free to contact us if you have specific requests or needs. May God bless your studies!

Blessings,

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LU Send Opportunities 2020 - Behavioral Sciences

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To apply and be a part of a wonderful cultural experience, please visit:
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Week 5 Mid-note

Posted on: Wednesday, November 20, 2019 5:04:17 PM EST

Hello!

I was teaching an intensive, COUN 512 - Group Counseling, earlier this semester. When I teach these classes, I am reminded of the power of God and the power of group process! During class, I was reminded that the many theories we get to apply in the counseling field will yield positive outcomes - in this case, group skills were practiced and several students saw and/or were part of the healing process. All of this was the power of group which I also attribute to the power of God! What a privilege to see the integration of faith and healing! I am delighted that we continue to learn how to integrate our faith to our profession!

We are blessed to serve you. I wish you a blessed Wednesday!

Joy Mwendwa

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Week 5

Posted on: Monday, November 18, 2019 1:26:22 PM EST

Greetings fellow students!

Week 5 is here and with that comes the realization that we are nearly done. You all have been working hard and I am thankful to be a small part of your journey to become counselors. I hope you enjoyed the Who Am I

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paper. I will get those graded in the next day or two and look forward to hearing some of your journey.

As we look to finish up this course and you continue in your education, may I give a quick encouragement for self-care. The need to self-evaluate and seek support is critical in our field. Make sure you are taking time for enjoyment and deepening relationships. God did not design us to live our lives in isolation so reach out to others. Reach out to myself or Dr. Mwendwa as well and let us know how we can pray for each of you more specifically.

This weeks assignments are:

- The Career Scavenger Hunt

- Quiz 5

Use the scavenger hunt to really learn about the resources you have available to you within career counseling. They are great tools to keep and use with your clients.

Know you are prayed for and reach out with any specific questions.

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Week 4 Mid-note -- Are we approachable?

Posted on: Friday, November 15, 2019 8:36:43 AM EST

Dear COUC 522 Team!

In the spring semester, I had the privilege of listening to a doctoral dissertation defense by one of stellar PhD students who lives in the Middle East. Her research involved interviewing refugees - Muslim men. Her results were powerful but one of the most striking elements of hearing about how she conducted her research was how approachable she was in the entire process of engaging her participants! This level of humility, openness, and non-judgment is what allowed these men to share their suffering of being victims of war. I was reminded that as counseling graduate students, we are earning a degree that holds some power and privilege. I pray that we are reminded to remain even more approachable with this gift God has blessed us with (education and experience); that our clients can know that they will find safety in our presence. This is exactly who Christ was while here and remains to all of us! Being God, He remained/remains approachable! I pray that this can be said of us as well!

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Again, Brandon and I pray for you!

Joy Mwendwa

Week 4 Letter

Posted on: Monday, November 11, 2019 11:42:56 PM EST

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Happy 4th Week to you!! Happy Veterans Day! Thank you to those who are part of the military, active or not, both to you individually and to your families as well - thank you for making sacrifices and for your service! May God bless you and your loved one!

Please note that your most recent DBs have been graded by Mr. Waggoner. Pay attention to your comments. Thank you for your hard work!

This week you will take the results from the career instruments and write the “Who am I” paper. Take a look at the rubric and instructions for this assignment. As you put this together, reflect on God’s work in your life. It could be an amazing time of worship and self-reflection.

Isn’t it interesting to think about all the things God has put into your life to form you into the person you are today? Your genes, family, culture, some but not all your experiences etc. were all things that happened to you without your doing. None of us apply prior to our births to determine where we are born or even who are parents or siblings will be. You’ve taken those things and interacted with the world to engage and develop into the person you are today. God’s sovereignty and your will have collided and formed an amazing work

Due this week: (both by Sunday)

- Who am I paper
- Quiz 4

Brandon and I wish you a blessed week. Please do not hesitate to contact us if we can answer any questions.

Blessings,

Joy

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Week 3

Posted on: Monday, November 4, 2019 11:59:24 AM EST

Class,

How great it is to be with you all and co-teaching with Dr. Mwendwa! If you get a chance, you can check out my bio in the faculty information tab. I have a pretty diverse background as I am still teaching in aviation, but I love to teach and learn with you all. I'll try not to dive into turbine engine theory with you all. It is exciting to learn with you as we go through this course. Career is something that impacts us all as well as provides perhaps the greatest opportunity for advocacy with our clients.

This weeks assignments include:

- **Discussion Board Forum 2**
- **Career Inventory**
- **Quiz 3**

The career inventory is used to help you write your Who Am I self-reflection paper. Knowing ourselves is critical within our field and these assignments can give us great insight. This self-reflection has been growing for myself during my PhD work. I am constantly humbled by how much I don't know. Learning is a lifelong discipline. There is a verse that I have hanging in my counseling office that reminds me of the need to remain humble and learn: Job 38:2 "Who is this that darkens counsel with words without knowledge?" May we all seek to remain diligent to learn about ourselves and those God brings to us.

Please reach out if I can help you in any way or pray for each of you more specifically. I look forward to the next few weeks!

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LU Send Trips Spring 2020 - Behavioral Sciences

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Week 2 Mid-note

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Happy Thursday!

Please receive my mid-week greetings! Thank you all for your ongoing hard work!

May the LORD continue to encourage you on this journey to being professional counselors. I am reminded that the “blessings and calling of God in our lives are irrevocable” Romans 11:29. Thank you to you and your families/loved ones for committing to this time of preparation and growth!

Joy Mwendwa

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Welcome Co-Instructor Mr. Brandon Waggoner

Posted on: Monday, October 28, 2019 2:38:30 PM EDT

Happy Monday to all of you!

Thank you for working hard to complete your week 1 assignments by midnight tonight.

Also, allow me to introduce you to Mr. Brandon Waggoner who is a co-instructor in our class. He is pursuing his Ph.D. in Counselor Education and Supervision and I'm privileged to co-teach another class with him. Mr. Waggoner brings a wealth of expertise to our class both with his ministry, clinical, and academic experience. Please note that he will correspond with you via blackboard announcements and email throughout the sub-term. Also, he will be giving feedback on some of your work so please pay attention to his comments. Brandon and I will remain in close supervision throughout the semester. We are blessed to have him!

Please welcome Mr. Waggoner to our class!

Blessings,

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Posted on: Monday, October 28, 2019 2:18:22 PM EDT

Dear COUC Students,

Great start and congratulations on finishing your first week of class!

From your introduction posts, I am excited to see how the dynamics of this course will be influenced by where you have been in the past and where you currently are in life.

In looking at the class introductions entries, it is a delight to be reminded that God always uses the experiences that He allows in each of our lives. I am curious to see how these rich personal experiences will show up in this class! It is my prayer that we will allow God's power to move in our lives both as we interact with the class material and with our fellow classmates.

Verse and prayer for the week: The older I get personally and professionally, I have often found myself asking, since we don't choose who we are born to or our birth places, the time period etc, what else does God have in mind in orchestrating that I BE alive at this time, this generation, this profession, in this [my] community, with these clients? When I contemplate this, I am reminded of the prayer, which is my prayer for us this week, to be like the sons of Issachar...

"...Of the sons of Issachar, men [or women/all counselors] who understood the times, with knowledge of what Israel should do". 1 Chronicles 12:32a

Due this week:

- Discussion Board Forum 1
- Spiritual Discernment in Counseling Paper
- Quiz 2

I wish you a blessed week and please do not hesitate to contact me if I may answer any questions.

Blessings,

Joy

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Please complete CRC if you have not

Posted on: Thursday, October 24, 2019 1:26:58 AM EDT

Dear Class!

Happy Thursday! Thank you for diving right in and working on this week's assignments. This is a reminder to those who have NOT posted anything to do so as soon as possible. I need to see your active participation in class so I can document that you are 'present' in the class. If NOT, you run the risk of being dropped from the class. If you have posted

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something (at least your CRC), then you are fine. You don't need to email to to have me check on this since I see your interaction Blackboard.

Keep up the good work!

Welcome again to our class and enjoy the rest of the week!

Joy Mwendwa

Week 1 Letter

Posted on: Monday, October 21, 2019 11:14:21 AM EDT

Dear COUC Students,

Welcome to the COUC 522– Career Development and Counseling – Fall D sub-term. I will be your course instructor for the next eight weeks. I am looking forward to getting to know you!

This semester officially starts today, Monday, October 21st 2019 and will run through Friday, December 13th 2019. Each module in this eight-week course will run from Monday to Sunday. Please take time to review the contents of this class on Blackboard. Familiarize yourself with the details in the course schedule and your course syllabus. These are two very important documents for which you will find answers to many of your questions. Please attend closely to assignments and due dates.

The following items are due this week:

1. **Course Requirements Checklist** - This checklist must be completed no later than 11:59 pm on Wednesday. It is imperative that you complete this item since this is your attendance is documented.
2. **Class Introductions** due 11:59 pm Sunday
3. **Quiz 1** – due 11:59 pm Sunday

Please review ALL the assignments that are due this semester so you can start preparing for the larger projects in the class. It helps to being to think and plan what you will be doing as we continue.

I can be reached best via email (jmmaweu@liberty.edu). Please use your LU email address to ensure that your email comes directly to my inbox. You can email me from Blackboard and the course number details will automatically be included in your email otherwise, include the course number in the subject line to help me quickly distinguish your emails (COUC 522).

Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

(Colossians 2:6-7)

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I wish you a great class and please do not hesitate to contact me if I may answer any questions.

Blessings,

Joy

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Welcome Video

Posted on: Thursday, October 17, 2019 11:36:51 AM EDT

Dear Students,
Please take a moment to watch this introductory video.

[COUN 522 Welcome Video \(02:20\)](#)

Thank you and welcome to COUC 522!!
Joy Mwendwa

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Welcome to COUC 522!!

Posted on: Thursday, October 17, 2019 11:32:24 AM EDT

Welcome to COUC 522!!

I pray you walk into this new semester refreshed and revitalized. I am excited to see what God does in you this term. I have been reflecting on the true meaning of submission to the Lord and how that may translate to daily living. I have found that if I put aside my own agenda and expectations, while still respecting the priorities in my life, my day is far less stressful and I have a greater peace of what God has accomplished through me in that day. I love the fact that Jesus was so in tuned to our Father that he did nothing apart from Him (John 5:30), therefore he wasted no energy worrying or fretting over things that had no eternal significance.

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God has placed you on this path of higher education for a purpose much greater than you can imagine (Jeremiah 29:11). He has called you and has equipped you and to those He has given He expects much (Luke 12:48), so I pray you do not go into this term taking lightly what God has entrusted you with, intellect and dedication. But also do not allow your own agenda to bog you down, by being overly focused on the end, but instead digest what God has for you while embracing the journey. Do not just see this class as a means to an end, but an opportunity for you to grow in endurance and character (James 1:2-3).

I am praying for you. May God bless you and your family.

Dr. Joy Mwendwa

Advance course access

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Posted on: Friday, October 11, 2019 12:00:00 AM EDT

Welcome to the preview portion of your course. This early access to your class materials allows you to familiarize yourself with the course and begin preparing for upcoming assignments. While this is an excellent time to begin planning for the weeks ahead, please understand that the full course materials will not be available until the official start date. Be aware that any assignments you may begin working on will not be accepted for course credit until the class is officially open. Please do not submit any assignments before the first day of the course, in compliance with federal financial aid guidelines. Assignment submissions prior to the start date of the course may be lost. Students will be responsible for resubmitting any assignment submitted prior to the start date of the course.

In the meantime, please take the time to visit our unique forum, [Online Communities](#). This site includes both live and recorded events, live chat sessions, and blogs to help you engage with other students and strengthen your educational experience. We look forward to connecting with you and encouraging you as your course begins.

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