

FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIVERSITY – COLLEGE AT FLORHAM  
COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (CAPS)

Dear FDU Student,

Welcome to CAPS! We are glad that you have made the first step and look forward to assisting you. You are about to have an intake interview with one of our counselors. The following information is intended to give you a sense of what to expect during your first session and CAPS procedures.

Your first meeting and subsequent sessions will last 45 minutes. During that time, you and your counselor will discuss your concerns and what type of services will best fit your needs. This may mean remaining at CAPS for brief individual therapy or being referred to an outside provider. In instances where there is a concern that you are engaging in behavior that places you or someone else at risk, our policy is to require that you receive further assessment to determine your current treatment needs.

We invite questions you may have about the counseling process or our policies. We encourage you to talk with your counselor if at any time you feel uncomfortable with any aspect of your involvement.

Sincerely,  
*The CAPS Team*

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**FDU COUNSELING SERVICES CLIENT CONSENT FORM**

**COUNSELING** is a confidential process designed to help you address your concerns, come to a greater understanding of yourself, and learn effective personal and interpersonal coping strategies. It involves a relationship between you and a trained therapist who has the desire and willingness to help you accomplish your individual goals. Counseling involves sharing sensitive, personal, and private information that may at times be distressing. During the course of counseling, there may be periods of increased anxiety or confusion. The outcome of counseling is often positive; however, the level of satisfaction for any individual is not predictable. Your therapist is available to support you throughout the counseling process.

**CONFIDENTIALITY:** All interactions with Counseling Services, including scheduling of or attendance at appointments, content of your sessions, progress in counseling, and your records are confidential. No record of counseling is contained in any academic, educational, or job placement file. You may request in writing that the counseling staff release specific information about your counseling to persons you designate.

**EXCEPTIONS TO CONFIDENTIALITY:**

- The counseling staff works as a team. Your therapist may consult with other counseling staff to provide the best possible care. These consultations are for professional and training purposes.
- If there is evidence of clear and imminent danger of harm to self and/or others, a therapist is legally required to report this information to the authorities responsible for ensuring safety. This may include other campus offices, parents, the local hospital, or, in rare instance, Public Safety or the local police department. Reasonable efforts will be made to inform you if such information is to be released.
- New Jersey state law requires that staff of Counseling Services who learn of, or strongly suspect, physical or sexual abuse or neglect of any person under 18 years of age must report this information to The Department of Children & Families (DCF).
- A court order, issued by a judge, may require Counseling Services staff to release information contained in records and/or require a therapist to testify in a court hearing.

Please be aware that email is not confidential. CAPS may utilize email only for administrative matters such as referrals. As a result, we ask that you do no relay any important or urgent personal concerns via email.

There is no fee for counseling services. Please be prompt for your session. Twenty-four hour notice of cancellation allows us to use the time for others. If you are referred off campus to health, mental health, or substance abuse professionals you are responsible for their charges.

Your signature below indicates that you have read the information in this document and agree to abide by its terms while you are being seen at FDU CAPS.

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*Signature of Client*

*Date*

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*Signature of Therapist*

*Date*

**FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON UNIVERSITY COUNSELING & PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (CAPS)**

**Student Intake Assessment Form**

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle: \_\_\_\_\_ Last: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT INFORMATION**

Gender:  Female  Male  Transgender  Other (Identify) \_\_\_\_\_

ETHNICITY: Check all that apply

African American  Latino/Hispanic  Asian American  Multiracial

Caucasian  Native American  Other \_\_\_\_\_

SEXUAL ORIENTATION:

Heterosexual  Bisexual  Gay  Lesbian  Asexual  Questioning  Prefer not to answer

RELATIONSHIP STATUS:

Single  Casual dating  Partnered  Married  Divorced  Separated  Widowed  Other

RESIDENCE: (check and specify in detail below):

Residence Hall Local Residence Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Off campus-residence

Parent's/Relative's Home Permanent Address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT INFORMATION: (check all that apply)

Cell Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  Ok to call?  Ok to leave message?

Home or Other Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  Ok to call?  Ok to leave message?

Preferred email address: (please be aware that email may not be confidential) \_\_\_\_\_

Ok to email ?

EMERGENCY CONTACT: (Permission to speak with listed person in an emergency situation)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

ACADEMIC STATUS:

FR  SO  JR  SR  GRAD STUDENT

Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Minor: \_\_\_\_\_

Credits this semester: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU CURRENTLY EMPLOYED?

Yes  No  On-Campus  Off-Campus # of hours per week \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any clubs, organizations, college sports, hobbies, extra-curricular activities you are involved with:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**OTHER INFORMATION:**

Veteran:  No  Yes (Branch) \_\_\_\_\_ Dates of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

International Student  No  Yes – Country \_\_\_\_\_

STAFF NOTES:



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If YES, please describe when and the nature of the attempt:

Did you receive help? If so, please describe when and the nature of the help you received:

Have you ever seriously **considered attempting suicide** in the past?  Yes (specify)  No

Are you currently seriously considering **harming another person or have you seriously considered in the past?**  Yes (specify)  No  
Describe when, how etc. :

Have you ever in the past **intentionally physically harmed someone?**  Yes (specify)  No

**SUBSTANCE USE**

How often do you drink alcohol: (Circle one the best describes your drinking habits)

Never    Daily or almost daily    Several times a week    Once a week    Monthly    Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

In a typical month, how often do you have **4 OR MORE DRINKS** in a 24-hour period? (Circle one)

Never    Rarely    Monthly    Weekly    Daily or almost daily

Do you consider your alcohol consumption a problem?  Yes  No  N/A

Have you used any drug in the past 30 days that wasn't prescribed by a physician? (e.g. marijuana, meth, cocaine, diet pills, heroin, Ritalin, Adderall, etc).  Yes (specify below)  No

Please tell what drugs and when last used:

How often do you engage in recreational drug use? (Circle one) Do you consider your drug use a problem?  Yes  No

Never    Rarely    Monthly    Weekly    Daily or almost daily

**HEALTH AND SOCIAL ISSUES**

How is your physical health at present?  Poor     Unsatisfactory     Satisfactory     Good     Excellent

Have you ever had any serious accidents, injuries or illnesses?  No  Yes

If yes, describe:

Are you presently taking any medications (prescribes medications, over the counter, alternative remedies etc.)

If yes, list:

List any PERSISTENT PHYSICAL SYMPTOMS or health concerns: (e.g. headaches, chronic pain, hypertension, diabetes etc.)

How are your sleeping patterns?  No problems     Sleep too much     Sleep too little     Poor quality of sleep     Disturbing dreams

How many times a week do you exercise?  None     Once a week     2-4     5 or more    For about how long each time?

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During the past month, are you having any difficulty with your appetite or eating habits? Check all that apply:

- No difficulty    Eating Less    Eating More    Bingeing    Restricting    Weight loss or gain? If so how much, \_\_\_\_\_  
 Counting calories    Dieting    Diet pills    Laxatives    Diuretics    Other \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any problems or worries about sexual functioning?

- No concerns    Lack of desire    Performance problem    Sexual impulsiveness    Worried about STD    Other, specify \_\_\_\_\_

Whom do you consider your social support(s)? (family, friends, significant others, no one etc.)

Are you in a significant intimate relationship currently? If yes, for how long?

Have you ever experienced the following in the past or currently? : (check all that apply and elaborate on below)

- Had unwanted sexual contact(s)    Experienced harassing, controlling, and/or abusive behavior from another person    Frequent gambling  
 Sexual identity or gender concerns    Test anxiety    Physical abuse    Sexual Abuse    Emotional abuse  
 Family member diagnosed with a chronic or current illness    Abortion  
 Death of a friend, family member or pet    Mania    Other \_\_\_\_\_

*Please explain in further detail:*

**FAMILY & CULTURAL BACKGROUND**

Please list immediate family members including ages & occupation: (Sally, mother, 50, accountant):

Religious preference: \_\_\_\_\_ To what extent does religion play an important role in your life:

- Very important    Important    Neutral    Unimportant    Very unimportant

Is there any other information that you feel is important to share with us? Please describe:

STAFF NOTES: