

THE PRESENTATION

Master's Case Presentation

Overview The purpose of the Case Presentation is to evaluate the student's learning progress in case evaluation and treatment, as well as the ability to engage in an open discussion with a panel of faculty members. In the Case Presentation, the student outlines the Case Study write-up and uses at least one process recording to 1) demonstrate their clinical learning, and 2) support their clinical conclusions. Overall, the presentation should reflect an acquisition of the skills and competencies set forth in the Practicum Learning Objectives.

Case Presentation Outline:

The following is a suggested outline for the Case Presentation, which closely matches the Case Study Outline. Students are encouraged to add items or otherwise alter the order outline if such changes enhance the presentation of their thinking.

- Reasons for choosing this case for presentation
- Identifying information of the patient
- Source of referral and identified problem/reason for referral, from the point of view of the referrer and of the client
- Background/brief history of referral problem
- History of previous treatment
- Relevant personal/family history
- Psychodynamic formulation:

How do you understand why the client has the problem(s) for which he/she needs treatment? Include your thinking about the links between the client's current concerns, and ongoing character issues.

- Discussion of Treatment Process:

Include the major issues that have emerged in the treatment; discuss impasses and how they were dealt with; discuss the way the therapeutic relationship has evolved; how the client has changed (or not) emotionally, behaviorally and/or in relationships. If the case has terminated, discuss that process; if not, what do you see as continuing issues with which to be dealt?

- Reasons for choosing the process recording(s):

Discuss what, in your view, the session illustrates. What does it reveal about the patient, the treatment process, and you as a developing clinician?

- What major ideas have you learned from this treatment and from the consultation process? How has your thinking about clinical treatment changed?

- Additional comments