

**Course Code:** PSY5103-8

**Course Start Date:** 04/17/2017

**Section:** Introduction to APA Standards and State Regulations

**Week:** 5

**Activity:** Assess Ethical Boundaries

**Activity Due Date:** 05/21/2017

### **Activity Description**

#### **Warm-Up Activity 5.1: Review APA Code of Ethics**

This week, review Standard 3: Human Relations of the APA Code of Ethics. This resource is located under your weekly resources.

#### **Warm-Up Activity 5.2: Review an Article**

Review Behnke (2008), located under your weekly resources. In this vignette from the APA Monitor on Psychology, the author uses a unique way of plotting the dual relationship between a student intern at a counseling center and the increasingly transparent nature of a relationship her client is having with one of her friends. Carefully note how the author has suggested that this relationship be represented on a graph.

#### **Assignment**

Boundary crossings are major issues in many settings in which psychologists practice. Your text provides a number of examples. For this task, you will need to develop your own scenario of a potential boundary crossing in any setting in which psychologists practice.

Provide a brief overview and explanation of why you think a professional boundary has been crossed and how the crossing could have been avoided. Be sure you provide sufficient background information so that the potential boundary crossing is clear.

Length: 1-2 pages

Your assignment should demonstrate thoughtful consideration of the ideas and concepts presented in the course by providing new thoughts and insights relating directly to this topic. Your response should reflect scholarly writing and current APA standards where appropriate. Be sure to adhere to Northcentral University's Academic Integrity Policy.

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### **Learning Outcomes**

- 1.0 Assess ethical principles, including the APA Code of Ethics for practice in the caregiving professions.
- 2.0 Formulate a process for analyzing and solving ethical dilemmas and issues.
- 3.0 Examine the ambiguity in ethical guidelines and the need for personal deliberation and consultation in solving ethical dilemmas.
- 4.0 Evaluate personal values and how they impact professional behavior.

### **Resources**

<b>Books</b>	
<b>Reference</b>	<b>Instruction</b>
Fisher, C. B. (2016) Decoding the ethics code: A practical guide for psychologists	Read Chapters 6 and 7

<b>Articles</b>	
<b>Reference</b>	<b>Instruction</b>
Pope, K. S., & Keith-Spiegel, P. (2008). A practical approach to boundaries in psychotherapy: Making decisions, bypassing blunders, and mending fences. Journal of Clinical Psychology, 64(5), 638-652. doi:10.1002/jclp.20477 <a href="http://proxy1.ncu.edu/login?url=http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&amp;db=psyh&amp;AN=2008-05915-007&amp;site=eds-live">http://proxy1.ncu.edu/login?url=http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&amp;db=psyh&amp;AN=2008-05915-007&amp;site=eds-live</a>	Read article

<b>Websites</b>	
<b>Reference</b>	<b>Instruction</b>
American Psychological Association. (2010). APA Ethical Principles	

of Psychologists and Code of Conduct with the 2010 Amendments, Washington, D.C. <a href="http://www.apa.org/ethics/code/index.aspx">http://www.apa.org/ethics/code/index.aspx</a>	Review website
Behnke, S. (2008, May). Multiple relationships in campus counseling centers: A vignette. <i>Monitor on Psychology</i> 39(5): 76. <a href="http://www.apa.org.proxy1.ncu.edu/monitor/2008/05/ethics.aspx">http://www.apa.org.proxy1.ncu.edu/monitor/2008/05/ethics.aspx</a>	Review website
Doverspike, W. F. (2008). Dual relationships and psychotherapy. <i>Georgia Psychologist</i> , 62(3), 17. <a href="http://www.gapsychology.org/?282">http://www.gapsychology.org/?282</a>	Review website

Document/Other	
Reference	Instruction
Academic Integrity Checklist - Best Practices  PSY5103-8-Academic-Integrity-Checklist.docx	Review document