

Mental Health and Stigma Project – Due June 21th 2017

Stigma around mental health has deleterious effects for the individuals suffering from mental illness, their close family and friends and the community at large. The stigma around mental health can be said to be socially constructed, thus, we as a social group can do something about it to lessen its effects on people with mental health issues.

Objectives

The purpose of the project is to:

- Identify the effects of stigma around mental health issues
- Show understanding of how stigma is created and thus deconstructed
- Come up with a project/product that could attack the stigma surrounding mental health issues

Procedure

1. Look at the rubric for how your product will be evaluated.
2. Decide on a way to attack stigma around mental illness.
3. Create a product that encompasses the Objectives above.
4. Post your project in Unit 4 on your ePortfolio under the heading “Mental Health and Stigma Project. If you created something that isn’t in digital format, take a photo and upload it instead. If it’s something that can’t be photographed, write a description of your product.

You may choose to complete this project on your own, or in small groups. Please note that the product expectations increase with the addition of group members. When you come up with an idea, run it by me first, before you get too far along.

Criteria (sliding scale of quality)

Effects of Stigma	-States the problems with stigma clearly -Links the problems to the individual, small and larger social groups.	/15
Stigma Creation	-Media portrayal of mental illness is addressed -Society’s treatment of people with mental illness	/15
Product	-Professionalism -Creativity -Effectiveness -Worthy of a final Grade 12 assignment	/10
Total		/40