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### **Consultation on Students**

for

#### **Faculty and Staff**

Provided

by the

#### **Professional Staff**

at the

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**Division of Student Affairs** 

## WHO ARE OUR STUDENTS?

THE PROFILE OF THE "AVERAGE" STUDENT HAS CHANGED A GREAT DEAL. THESE DAYS, DON'T BE SURPRISED IF YOU DISCOVER THAT ONE OF YOUR STUDENTS:

- is working two jobs besides going to school
- is taking care of a family which oftentime involves children as well as parents
- has experienced severe emotional or physical trauma
- has little or no support system
- is taking medication to control a severe psychiatric disorder

## COMMON QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY FACULTY:

**FACULTY AND STAFF OFTEN CALL US TO CONSULT ABOUT A VARIETY OF CONCERNS. THE FOLLOWING ARE SAMPLES OF SUCH QUESTIONS THAT MAY SOUND FAMILIAR TO SITUATIONS YOU HAVE ENCOUNTERED:** 

- What if a student constantly comes to me with problems?
- What if a student reports they are hearing voices or are talking to themselves during class?
- What if someone is displaying erratic behavior in class?
- What if a student hands in a morbid essay? Do I take it seriously?
- A student threatened me, what can I do?
- A student in my class dies unexpectedly. Can you help us?

# WHAT CAN YOU DO?

YOU ARE NOT ALONE! PLEASE CALL THE COUNSELING & PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES CENTER FOR A CONSULTATION.

### **Remember:**

- we have licensed psychologists and mental health professionals available on site for you to consult
- you may call and request an anonymous consultation
- we take your concerns seriously, do not hesitate to call
- we are available to come to your class for debriefing following a crisis
- it is best to call 348-2434 (UP) or 919-5305 (NC) and ask for a consultation; but if you prefer to drop in and schedule an appointment, we will try to see you as soon as possible.