



SYLLABUS AND COURSE INSTRUCTIONS FOR:



EDUX 8000HJ Understanding the Brain and Behavior (available for 3-4 graduate credits)

This course is available for **3 or 4 units**. See **Course Level** pull-down menu on the previous course detail page to choose the number of credits selected for this course (H = 3 units, J = 4 units).

CCC has collaborated with the Amen Clinics, Inc. (ACI) to offer graduate semester credit through Vanguard University for professional development courses. Dr. Daniel Amen, M.D. is a physician, doubleboard certified psychiatrist, teacher, and five-time New York Times bestselling author. He is widely regarded as one of the world's foremost experts on applying brain imaging science to everyday clinical practice. ACI video courses provide individual learners with flexibility without sacrificing meaningful content. This course includes 15 DVDs of the lectures filmed live, 15 sets of slides for each lecture, and summary sheets of the major brain system functions.

For this course, you will need to register with and pay course fees to CCC. You must purchase the course materials separately, which may be done through ACI.

Steps to apply:

- 1. To enroll for graduate semester credit through CCC/Vanguard, click the "ENROLL" tab on the previous "course detail" page to register and pay the course fee. You will receive enrollment confirmation via e-mail after you enroll with CCC/Vanguard.
- The confirmation email from CCC will include a discount code you may use when ordering course materials through Amen Clinics, Inc. (ACI). To order, go to <u>Amen Clinics, Inc. (ACI)</u>, select the course materials (same name as course title) and purchase the materials through the ACI website.

Course Requirements (General)

Once a student has registered for the website and enrolled with CCC for this course, he or she must complete the following requirements.

For 3-unit course:

- 1. Journal Log
- 2. 180 Question Test
- 3. Reflection and Application Paper

For 4-unit course:

Complete all of the 3-unit requirements above PLUS the following assignments:

- 1. Journal Log (additional 15 hours)
- 2. Article Reviews and Evaluation

Course Requirements (Detailed)

Once a student has enrolled with CCC/VU for this course, he or she must complete the following requirements.

Requirements for 3-unit course:

- 1. Journal Log: List the hours for your coursework and professional development activities in your Journal Log to meet the required 45 hours of active instructional learning, applications or implementations.
 - Active instructional learning activities must be included in the Journal Log to equal a total
 of 45 hours. To see examples of learning activities that may be used to meet the
 requirement for Journal Log hours, <u>click here</u>.
 - Activities and hours entered in the Journal Log must be separate from and in addition to the time required to complete (write) the homework assignments listed for this course (i.e., Reflection and Application Paper; Articles Reviews and Evaluation).
- 180 Question Test: Complete the electronic Answer Sheet provided in your Course Workshop as you take the 180 Question Test located in the ACI course materials. Submit the assignment in the Course Workshop tab of your personal folder (see <u>Submitting Coursework</u> details below).
- 3. Reflection and Application: Use the reflection guiding questions provided to assess your professional development activities and explain your goals for improving your professional methodology or leadership performance based on this course, including how your clinical or educational practice may be enhanced. Participants must submit a reflection and application assignment that meets the standard and quality of a graduate-level paper.

Requirements for 4-unit course:

Complete all of the 3-unit requirements above PLUS the following assignments:

- Journal Log: List the hours for your coursework and professional development activities in your Journal Log. An additional 15 hours of active instructional learning activities for this 4-unit course must be included in the Journal Log to equal a total of 60 hours. To see examples of learning activities that may be used to meet the requirement for Journal Log hours, <u>click here</u>.
 - Activities and hours entered in the Journal Log must be separate from and in addition to the time required to complete (write) the homework assignments listed for this course (i.e., Reflection and Application Paper; Articles Reviews and Evaluation).
- 2. Article Reviews and Evaluation: Read two educational articles that pertain to the professional development activities in which you participated. Select articles from a provided educational database and write a response to the article review guiding questions provided. The assignment must meet the standard and quality of graduate-level work.

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Submitting Coursework

Upon enrolling for this course, templates for assignments will be available for you to download in the **Course Workshop** tab of your personal folder (see **TRACK YOUR PROGRESS** located at the top right side of each CCC webpage after login). These templates also are available in the Course Material Templates section on each course detail page. All coursework must be uploaded and submitted electronically into your Course Workshop located in your personal folder. All course requirements must be submitted within **six months** from the date of course enrollment and must be original. You will receive a grade by email within 2-3 weeks of course completion.

Self-Paced Format

An instructor is assigned to your course, and your instructor will grade your assignments. The courses are self-paced and easy to follow; therefore minimal contact with the instructor will be necessary. However, if for some reason you need additional clarification, please contact: <u>courses@collegecreditconnection.com</u>. If necessary, we will forward your request directly to your instructor. For technical assistance, please contact <u>tech@collegecreditconnection.com</u>.

Assignment Templates

As previously stated, templates for course assignments will be available for you to download in the **Course Workshop** tab of your personal folder (see **TRACK YOUR PROGRESS** located at the top right side of each CCC webpage after you log in). Save the assignment templates on your computer or flash drive and complete each assignment. Once completed, upload and submit your assignments electronically (see <u>Submitting Coursework</u>).

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Examples of Journal Log Instructional Learning Hours:

Below are a few examples of the type of instructional learning and application activities that may be used to meet the requirement for Journal Log hours:

- Reading articles or books for research on the course topic;
- Viewing videos, DVDs or webinars related to the course topic;
- Observing, interviewing or collaborating (email, phone, in-person) with other colleagues and educators on the course topic;
- Examining online research of State and/or National Standards related to the course topic;
- Reviewing online research related to course content and/or assignments;
- Visitation and research of venue sites related to the course topic and/or assignments;
- Developing plans or projects that connect the knowledge learned in the course to your profession;
- Creating Smart Board lessons, PowerPoints, Keynote presentations or iMovies related to the course topic;
- Complete a free (or partially free) course-related MOOC from a university. To find MOOCs (Massive Open Online Courses), click <u>MOOC list here</u>.

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