



Course Syllabus

Course Code	Course Title	ECTS Credits
PSYC-510	Child Psychopathology	7.5
Prerequisites	Department	Semester
None	Social Sciences	Spring
Type of Course	Field	Language of Instruction
Required	Clinical & Counseling Psychology	English
Level of Course	Lecturer(s)	Year of Study
2 nd cycle	Dr Maria Koushiou	1 st
Mode of Delivery	Work Placement	Corequisites
Face-to face	N/A	NONE

Course Objectives:

The main objectives of the course are to:

This course covers central issues relevant to work with children and adolescents including the major areas of child psychopathology and how they are linked to biological, developmental, environmental, social and family factors. The course will examine the etiology, assessment, diagnosis, and treatment of major childhood psychological and developmental disorders, including ADHD, conduct disorders, anxiety and mood disorders, as well as childhood trauma and abuse.

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

1. Show an understanding of the clinical symptoms and features associated with major childhood disorders.
2. Develop knowledge of the biological, psychosocial and emotional underpinnings of child psychopathology.
3. Develop familiarity with assessment and treatment options for childhood disorders.
4. Have knowledge of the basic theories of abnormal child development.

Course Content:

1. Theories of child development
2. Developmental perspectives of psychopathology
3. Major disorders and diagnosis in childhood
4. Anxiety Disorders
5. Mood disorders
6. Feeding and Eating disorders
7. Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder
8. Behavioral problems and Disorders of Conduct
9. Elimination Disorders
10. Childhood trauma and abuse
11. Resilience

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Lectures, Group discussion, Presentations and Assignments

Assessment Methods:

Project/Child Observation, Class Presentation, Final Examination, Attendance and Participation.

Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Essentials of Child and Adolescent Psychopathology	Wilmshurst, L.	John Wiley & Sons	2016	E-book available
<i>Diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders (DSM-5®).</i>	American Psychiatric Association	American Psychiatric Pub.	2013	9780890425558

Recommended Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
<i>Emotional life of the toddler.</i>	Lieberman, A. F.	Free press	1995	9781476792033
<i>The magic years: Understanding and handling the problems of early childhood.</i>	Fraiberg, S. H.	Simon and Schuster.	1996	9780684825502