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University of Nicosia, Cyprus

Course Code PSYM-505	Course Title Adult Psychopathology	ECTS Credits 7.5
Department Social Sciences	Semester Fall	Prerequisites None
Type of Course Required	Field Psychology	Language of Instruction English
Level of Course 2 nd Cycle	Year of Study 1st	Lecturer(s) Dr Marios Adonis
Mode of Delivery face-to-face	Work Placement N/A	Co-requisites None

Objectives of the Course:

The main objectives of the course are:

- To provide students with an integrative overview of the field of psychopathology and major psychological problems and disorders
- To familiarize students with the multiple causes of psychopathology as viewed from a number of different theoretical perspectives
- To illustrate an integrative view of research in the area of abnormal behavior
- To discuss intervention and prevention strategies for psychological disorders

Learning Outcomes:

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

1. identify diagnostic entities through their symptomatology
2. practice differential diagnosis
3. appreciate comorbidity when diagnosing
4. choose the correct treatment for each diagnostic entity
5. identify antecedents, behavior, and consequences of behavior
6. plan prevention planning for each diagnostic entity
7. appreciate research in the area and use research to guide their diagnostic assessment
8. methodologically conceptualize research in psychopathology.

Course Contents:

1. History and Systems relating to Psychopathology and its Diagnosis
2. Clinical Assessment and Diagnosis
3. Mood Disorders
4. Anxiety Disorders
5. Schizophrenia
6. Personality Disorders
7. Eating and Sleep Disorders
8. Delirium & Dementia
9. Substance Related Disorders

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Lectures, Assignments

Assessment Methods:

Midterm, Paper, Final Exam.

Required Textbooks/Reading:

Authors	Title	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Barlow, D. H. & Durand, V. M. Wadsworth	<i>Abnormal Psychology: An Integrative Approach</i>	Cengage Advantage	2009 5 th Ed	049550470
APA	Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders	APA	2004	0-890420- 025-4