

In the Name of God

Islamic Republic of Iran Ministry of Health and Medical Education Deputy for Education

Clinical Psychology Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

Total Course Credits

- Compensatory: 17
- Core: 25
- Non-core (Electives): 2
- Dissertation: 16

Program Description

Students who complete the program will be very well-prepared to pursue careers in a variety of settings. Our graduates are currently working as academic researchers in departments of Psychology and Psychiatry, practicing clinical psychology in academic medical settings, tertiary psychiatric centers, community mental health centers, and private practice.

Our main aim is to set the standard for Excellence in Clinical Psychology through the integration of clinical practice, research and teaching. The graduates will be well equipped with a large variety of training and research resources. They acquire a good knowledge of theories, research methods, history of clinical psychology, and capability in assessing and interpreting clinical psychology tests. The major goals of the Doctoral Program in Clinical Psychology are first, to extend knowledge of the field of Clinical Psychology; second, to train students to conduct and evaluate empirical research; and finally, to train students to acquire competence in clinical assessment, interviewing and intervention.

Admission Requirements

- Having a master's degree (MSc) in Clinical Psychology
- Meeting admission criteria based on regulations of universities
- Being eligible for entering the program

Expected Competencies at the End of the Program

General Competencies*

Specific Competencies and Skills

At the end of the program learners will be competent in the following skills:

- Assessing and providing treatment services for the hospitals and communities
- Teaching, supervising and monitoring with regard to evidence-based therapeutic modalities
- Researching on causes, assessment, and treatment of psychological disorders
- Interpreting psychological test results
- policymaking, planning, and organizing

Educational Strategies, Methods and Techniques*

Student Assessment (Types and Methods)

- Formative (Quizzes and Midterm Exam)
- Summative (Final Exam)
- Oral and written exams, observation, clinical competence assessments
- (OSCE, OSLE, OSFE, DOPS, 360 degree evaluation competency)
- Portfolio assessment: Log book, test results, reports, articles, certificates, promotion, etc.

Ethical Considerations*

*Note: The related document(s) can be found at <http://hcmeq.behdasht.gov.ir/>.

Tables of the Courses

Table 1. Compensatory Courses

Code of the Course	Title of the Course	Number of Credits			Teaching Hours			Prerequisite or Concurrent Courses
		Theoretical	Practical	Total	Theoretical	Practical	Total	
01	Advance Psychopathogy	2	-	2	34	-	34	-
02	Current Personality and Psychotherapy Theories	2	-	2	34	-	34	-
03	Psychological Diagnostic Methods	1	1	2	17	34	51	-
04	Neuropsychology	1	-	1	17	-	17	-
05	Clinical Psychology Assessment 1	1	1	2	17	34	51	--
06	Clinical Psychology Assessment 2	1	1	2	17	34	51	--
07	Cognitive Behavioral Therapy	2	1	3	34	34	68	-
08	Advance Design and Methodology in Clinical Psychology	1	1	2	17	34	51	-
09	Medical Information System	0.5	0.5	1	9	17	26	-
Total				17				-


Table 2. Core Courses

Code of the Course	Title of the Course	Number of Credits			Teaching Hours			Prerequisite or Concurrent Courses
		Theoretical	Practical	Total	Theoretical	Practical	Total	
10	Criticism Review of Personality Theories and Approaches	2	-	2	34	-	51	-
11	Developmental Psychopathology 1	2	-	2	34	-	51	-
12	Ethics and Professional Issues in Clinical Psychology	1	-	1	17	-	17	-
13	Advance Statistics in Clinical Psychology	1	-	1	17	-	17	-
14	Advance Design and Methodology in Clinical Psychology	1	1	2	17	34	51	-
15	Clinical Assessment and Diagnostic 1	1	1	2	17	34	51	11
16	Developmental Psychopathology 2	2	-	2	34	-	51	11
17	Psychopharmacotherapy and Organic Therapy	2	-	2	34	-	34	-
18	Cognitive Behavior Therapy 1	-	2	2	68	-	68	11, 15, and 16
19	Group Therapy	-	1	1	-	34-	34	11 and 15-
20	Clinical Assessment and Diagnostic 2	1	1	2	17	34	51	15
21	Applied Individual Psychotherapy	-	2	2	-	68	68	18 and 20
22	Cognitive Behavior Therapy 2	-	2	2	68	-	68	16, 18, and 20
23	Couple Therapy 2	1	1	2	17	34	51	16, 18, and 20
24	Internship in Clinical Psychology			7			910	
25	Dissertation	-	-	16	-	-	-	-
Total				31				

Table 3. Non-Core Courses (Electives)

Code of the Course	Title of the Course	Number of Credits			Teaching Hours			Prerequisite or Concurrent Courses
		Theoretical	Practical	Total	Theoretical	Practical	Total	
26	Health Psychology	2	-	2	34	-	34	
27	Principals of Short Psychodynamic Therapies	2	-	2	34	-	34	11 and 16
28	Advanced Neuropsychology	1	1	2	17	34	51	
29	Schema Therapy	1	-	1	17	-	17	
30	Psychotherapy Foundations in Islamic Culture	2	-	2	34	-	34	10
Total		8	1	9	85	-	85	-

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