Abnormal Psychology, Health and Intervention

Module Code: PSY6002-B
Academic Year: 2018-19
Credit Rating: 20
School: School of Social Sciences
Subject Area: Psychology
FHEQ Level: FHEQ Level 6
Module Leader: Dr Pamilla Ramsden

Additional Tutors:

Pre-requisites:
Co-requisites:

Contact Hours

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Availability Periods

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Module Aims

The objectives of this module are to foster a critical appraisal of a number of key issues related to the conceptualisation, assessment, diagnosis and treatment of psychopathology. This module provides information about the aetiology and treatment of the major types of psychopathology. Diagnostic criteria will be described and research, theory and clinical
practice will be reviewed to improve understanding of the possible causes and most promising treatments of the various disorders.

Outline Syllabus
- Conceptions of Abnormality and Models of Psychopathology.
- Assessment, diagnosis and research methods.
- Child disorders and abnormal psychology.
- Depression and mood disorders.
- Personality and Personality Disorders.
- Anxiety Disorders.
- Legal and ethical issues.
- Late life and neurocognitive disorders.
- History and treatment of abnormal psychology.
- Substance abuse.
- Schizophrenia and psychotic disorders.

Module Learning Outcomes
On successful completion of this module, students will be able to...

1. demonstrate an understanding of the biological, psychological, sociocultural, and historical vulnerabilities to psychopathology;

10. approach problem solving specifically the identification of mental disorders in a systematic way;

11. recognise the value of knowledge and its ability to be transformative with regard to understanding mental disorder.

2. describe the approach to psychopathology from various perspectives within psychology including behavioural, cognitive, psychoanalytic, and humanistic;

3. describe the diagnostic criteria, symptoms, aetiology, incidence, and course of mental disorders as classified in the DSM-V;

4. demonstrate knowledge of the theoretical models used to explain and treat psychological disorders and report the relative efficacy of the range of treatments.

5. reason scientifically, demonstrating the ability to see relationships between theory and evidence in relation to psychopathology;

6. adopt multiple perspectives when considering theoretical models of explanation and treatment;

7. identify the main tenets of mental disorders as classified by the DSM-V.

8. communicate ideas and research findings by effectively using a range of written, oral and visual means;

9. be computer literate for the purposes of furthering your own learning and in the analysis and presentation of ideas and research findings;

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy
The module is taught by a combination of lectures, workshops and group discussions (LOs 1-4). Approximately two hours of each session comprises the 'formal' lecture. The remainder of the session takes the form of a workshop followed by group discussion and debate (LOs 5-11). The workshops provide you with the opportunity to observe videos (with accompanying worksheets) read and discuss case histories and complete pen and paper exercises in order to further explore issues raised in the formal lecture. Assessment 1 tests LOs 1-7 and 10, Assessment 2 tests LOs 5-11.

Mode of Assessment

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<td>Summative</td>
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Legacy Code (if applicable)
SY-6003D

Reading List
To view Reading List, please go to rebus:list.