COURSE UNIT

Neuropsychological and Psychopathological Syndrome

HEAD LECTURER

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LEARNING OUTCOMES

- 1. Acquire knowledge about the semiology of the neurologic/neurosurgical and psychiatric patient.
- 2. Recognize the main pathological signs after the neuropsychological assessment interview and the neurological examination.
- 3. Know the epidemiology of the different neuropsychological and psychiatric pathologies.
- 4. Recognize the clinical signs and symptoms of the different neuropsychological and psychiatric pathologies.
- 5. Train the skills of diagnosis in neuropsychology and psychiatry as well as the structuring of the functional and etiological diagnosis in syndromes, topography and anatomy.
- 6. Identify clinical conditions that require a specific clinical approach.

SYLLABUS

Neurological semiology

1.1. Basic notions of the Neurological Examination

Language Deficit

2.1. Aphasic Syndromes

Memory and Learning Deficit

3.1. Mnesic Syndromes

Deficit of Visual-Space skills, Visual-Constructive skills and Motor skills

4.1. Apraxic Syndromes

Functional executive deficit

5.1. Dysexecutive syndrome

Attentional deficit

Neuropsychology of neurological disorders

- 7.1. Traumatic Brain Injury
- 7.2. Ischemic Brain Injury
- 7.3. Dementias
- 7.4. Movement disorders
- 7.5. Demyelinating diseases

Neuropsychology of Psychiatric Disorders

- 8.1. Schizophrenia
- 8.2. Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder
- 8.3. Mood disorder
- 8.4. Substance abuse

Approach to the patient with neuropsychological syndromes

9.1. Delirium, Shaking, Aphasia, Hemiplegic.

TEACHING METHODS

Eight teaching methodologies will be favored: (1) oral presentation of contents; (2) functional classification by means of medical images; (3) knowledge deepening by reading scientific articles; (4) analysis and discussion of clinical cases; (5) watching videos showing clinical cases; (6) guided group discussion; (7) Live and video demonstrations and (8) observation in clinical contexts. The e-learning platform will be used to provide the documents of the Curricular Unit.

ASSESSMENT METHODS

- 1. Attendance and participation in the classes (10%);
- 2. Short answer questions about the topics addressed in the course (60%);

3. Clinical case study analysis (30%) on the topics addressed in each class (30%).

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