

PSYCHIATRY (PS)

PS 0301 - Psychiatry Clerkship

Credit(s): 4 Credits

PS 0302 - Psychiatry Career Exploration

Credit(s): 1-2 Credits (Repeatable for credit)

This course may be used to register for Psychiatry career exploration. The location of the experience may be at a SLU SOM affiliate or at another health care institution.

PS 0303 - Psychiatry self-designed Career Exploration

Credit(s): 1-2 Credits (Repeatable for credit)

PS 0304 - INSynergy

Credit(s): 1-4 Credits

PS 0401 - Psychiatry Research

Credit(s): 6 Credits

Students may spend their time writing a literature review, preparing study materials, interviewing subjects, collecting, coding, and analyzing data, and writing up the results of the study. Areas of study include pain, Alzheimer's, drug trials, decision making, communication, and spirituality.

PS 0404 - Community Geriatric Psychiatry

Credit(s): 3 Credits

Students will have an opportunity to learn about the common geriatric psychiatric disorders of the elderly and their presentation in nursing homes. Students will have an opportunity to learn the logistics of consultation to nursing homes and subacute care. Exposure to an in-home visit will give an opportunity to see the socioeconomic status and problems faced by the majority of the elderly living in the community. Case conferences and didactics offered by the Division of Geriatric Psychiatry will also address these issues. Students who are interested can also participate in nursing home research.

PS 0405 - Outpatient & Consultation Clinical Geriatric Psychiatry

Credit(s): 2-12 Credits

Students will have the opportunity to evaluate patients under the supervision of the course director and other faculty. Students will learn diagnostic evaluation and the management of patients in several different clinical settings, including an outpatient clinic, a consultation service to medical and surgical units of a general hospital, and in nursing homes. The participating students will have an opportunity to see and manage patients with dementia, depression, psychotic disorders, delirium, alcoholism, and other substance use disorders. The students will learn the basic principles of outpatient psychopharmacotherapy, electroconvulsive therapy, and supportive psychotherapy. The students will also attend relevant didactic sessions and case conferences in the Division of Geriatric Psychiatry.

PS 0406 - Nursing Home Psychiatry

Credit(s): 4 Credits

Nursing home and consultation work with elderly psychiatric patients and their families under the supervision of the elective director and other members of the team.

PS 0407 - Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry

Credit(s): 2-12 Credits

The student will have the opportunity to see a variety of patients on the medical and surgical wards as well as psychiatric consultation. The student will be expected to become familiar with major topics in consultation-liaison psychiatry through reading of texts and articles available from the course director. These topics include depression and anxiety disorders in the medically ill, delirium, evaluation of transplant candidates, and other topics related to specific patients seen. For additional information regarding this elective, students should contact the elective director. Please schedule with Heather Frohbieter, 1438 S. Grand, Room 118, (314) 977-4864.

PS 0409 - Neuropsychiatry

Credit(s): 2-12 Credits

Participants will be offered an experience in studying the neurological basis of behavior. The primary focus of this elective will be studying the biological basis of both normal and pathological brain functions. The course will place special emphasis on the biological basis of schizophrenia, affective disorders, anxiety disorders, and substance abuse disorders. Emphasis will be placed on learning about the tools used in studying the brain (MRI, PET scan, fMRI, SPECT). The participants will be responsible for a reasonable amount of weekly reading on various topics and will meet with the elective director weekly to discuss these readings. The course can be tailored to a specific area of interest of the participant or a more general overview.

PS 0412 - Community Psychiatry

Credit(s): 2-12 Credits

The Community Psychiatry rotation will include psychiatric care for very special populations; homeless, severely mentally ill, torture survivors, gender identity disorder, HIV and mental illness.

PS 0413 - Geriatric Psychiatry

Credit(s): 1-4 Credits

The course will involve intensive exposure to Geriatric Psychiatry patients with combined psychiatric and medical conditions. There will be significant exposure to Electroconvulsive Therapy. Students will also be exposed to patients in the clinic and nursing home setting.

PS 0414 - Child and Adolescent Psychiatry

Credit(s): 2-8 Credits (Repeatable for credit)

Medical student will spend 2-4 weeks in the child and adolescent psychiatry clinics and on the consult service. Will get to develop an ability to talk with patients about their problems, understand special cultural circumstances, and become familiar with the dynamics of the doctors/patient relationship in child psychiatry setting. The experience will also include writing up a new case and a progress note on a case that they get to see during this time.

PS 0499 - Psychiatry Student Chief

Credit(s): 1-12 Credits

Students selected to take this elective will serve as "Student Chiefs" at the beginning of the required clerkships. Week 1: The first week of the elective overlaps with the required, one-week orientation for students beginning their clerkships. During this week you would receive instruction in how to teach and provide feedback in the clinical setting. You will also be expected to help with general third year orientation week. Weeks 2-3: The following two weeks, you will help the new third-year students make the transition from classroom to clinic. The clerkship director and the education coordinator for the clerkship will provide you with guidance in this area. For example, you may be asked to observe and provide feedback when students perform histories and physical exams, to provide guidance on written and oral case presentations, and other clerkship tasks. In general, your job is to help facilitate each student's successful entry into the clerkship.

PS 0501 - Subinternship:Psychiatry at Saint Louis University Hospital

Credit(s): 1-4 Credits (Repeatable for credit)

The students will work with adult psychiatric in-patients. The students will function at a PGY-1 level with responsibility for admitting patients assigned to them by the attending physician. They will care for at least 15 patients over the course of this rotation.

PS 0901 - Psychiatry Direct Patient Care

Credit(s): 1-12 Credits (Repeatable for credit)

This course may be used to register for a Psychiatry elective. The elective experience must fulfill the requirements for a direct-patient care elective. The location of the experience may be at a SLU SOM affiliate or at another health care institution.

PS 0902 - Psychiatry Non-Direct Patient Care

Credit(s): 1-12 Credits (Repeatable for credit)

PS 0903 - Psychiatry Research

Credit(s): 1-12 Credits (Repeatable for credit)

This course may be used to register for a Psychiatry elective. The elective experience must fulfill the requirements for a research elective. The location of the experience may be at a SLU SOM affiliate or at another health care institution.

PS 0904 - Psychiatry Senior Inquiry

Credit(s): 1-12 Credits (Repeatable for credit)

PS 0905 - Psychiatry Teaching

Credit(s): 1-12 Credits (Repeatable for credit)