MPSY - PSYCHIATRY

MPSY 800 Core Clerkship in Psychiatry
Credits 5 to 15. 5 to 15 Other Hours.
Introductory experience in the practice of psychiatry.
Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion of year two of the medical school curriculum.

MPSY 801 Bereavement Issues in Clinical Practice
Credits 1.25 to 10. 1.25 to 10 Other Hours.
This 4-week elective will provide the opportunity to experience and practice primary psychiatric care of patients under the close supervision of a staff physician. It will increase the student’s familiarity with the basic “tasks” of mourning and emotional/psychological processes; enable the student to discriminate between uncomplicated and complicated bereavement especially identifying those factors that contribute to complications in grieving; increase student awareness of and vigilance toward bereaved patients’ increased morbidity/mortality rates; help the student develop increased skill in conducting a sensitive clinical inquiry with bereaved individuals regarding their loss experience; familiarize the student with the current treatment principles described in the grief and bereavement psychological literature; acquaint the student with the role of self-help groups among the bereaved; develop the students’ appreciation of how various members of the health care team participate in the psychosocial need of patients and families at the time of death in an acute care setting.
Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion of year three of the medical school curriculum.

MPSY 802 Child and Adolescent Psychiatry
Credits 1.25 to 10. 1.25 to 10 Other Hours.
This 2- or 4-week elective will introduce the student to child psychiatry. The student will learn the process of child psychiatric evaluation, and will be introduced to issues related to diagnostic classification in children and adolescents. They will be exposed to various treatment modalities used in child psychiatry, including exposure to the issues surrounding the use of psychotropic medications in children.
Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion of year three of the medical school curriculum.

MPSY 804 Child and Adolescent Psychiatry
Credits 1.25 to 10. 1.25 to 10 Other Hours.
This 2- or 4-week elective will introduce the student to child psychiatry. The student will learn the process of child psychiatric evaluation, and will be introduced to issues related to diagnostic classification in children and adolescents. They will be exposed to various treatment modalities used in child psychiatry, including exposure to the issues surrounding the use of psychotropic medications in children.
Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion of year three of the medical school curriculum.

MPSY 806 Outpatient Psychiatry
Credits 1.25 to 10. 1.25 to 10 Other Hours.
This 4-week elective will provide the opportunity to experience and practice primary psychiatric care of patients under the close supervision of a staff physician. It will increase the student’s familiarity and knowledge with the use of psychoactive medications; help the student gain further knowledge and experience in determination of individual patient treatment regimens; help the student gain experience in the complex interactions between patients, therapists, and family members; help the student gain experience in evaluating emergency patients through the opportunity to be the first physician evaluating patients in the emergency room; help the student gain experience as a co-therapist in group psychotherapy; help the student gain experience in longer term care with the patients via the opportunity to participate in follow up outpatient appointments.
Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion of year three of the medical school curriculum.

MPSY 808 General Adult Psychology and Geriatric Psychology
Credits 1.25 to 10. 1.25 to 10 Other Hours.
Multidisciplinary assessment of elderly patients, including medical, social and family history; assessment of cognitive functions; evaluation and management of older patients with Alzheimer’s disease and other causes of Dementia, affective disorders and late life psychoses and of the elderly patient’s family and the determination of their roles in the treatment of the older patient.

MPSY 809 Advanced Inpatient Psychiatry
Credits 1.25 to 10. 1.25 to 10 Other Hours.
This 4-week elective will provide the advanced student the opportunity to experience and practice primary psychiatric care of patients under the close supervision of a senior staff physician. Increase the student’s familiarity and knowledge with the use of psychoactive medications; help the student gain further knowledge and experience in determination of individual patient treatment regimens; help the student gain experience in the complex interactions between patients, therapists, and family members; help the student gain experience in evaluating emergency patients through the opportunity to be the first physician evaluating patients in the emergency room; help the student gain experience as a co-therapist in group psychotherapy; help the student gain experience in longer term care with the patients via the opportunity to participate in follow up outpatient appointments.
Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion of year three of the medical school curriculum.

MPSY 810 Consultation/Liaison Psychiatry
Credits 1.25 to 10. 1.25 to 10 Other Hours.
This 4-week elective will provide the student the opportunity to experience and practice primary psychiatric care of patients under the close supervision of a senior staff physician. Increase the student’s familiarity and knowledge to recognize and treat common psychiatric disorders occurring in the medical-ill (e.g. delirium, dementia, substance abuse, anxiety, depression, somatoform disorders); recognize common medical problems and/or drug side effects which may masquerade as psychiatric illness; work effectively with treating staff and/or families to support and educate them so as to minimize the emotional and behavioral impact of the patient’s illness; understand how medical illness may alter psychopharmacologic strategies, and why.
Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion of year three of the medical school curriculum.

MPSY 811 Advanced Outpatient Psychiatry
Credits 1.25 to 10. 1.25 to 10 Other Hours.
This 4-week elective will provide the advanced student the opportunity to experience and practice primary psychiatric care of patients under the close supervision of a senior staff physician. Increase the student’s ability to gain further knowledge and experience in determination of individual patient treatment regimens; introduce and further the student experience as a co-therapist in group psychotherapy; help the student practice recognizing and managing issues of a therapeutic nature in the group setting.
Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion of year three of the medical school curriculum.
MPSY 812 Advanced Inpatient Psychiatry
Credits 1.25 to 10. 1.25 to 10 Other Hours.
This 4-week elective will provide the advanced student the opportunity to experience and practice primary psychiatric care of patients under the close supervision of a senior staff physician. It will increase the student’s familiarity and knowledge with the use of psychoactive medications, help the student gain further knowledge and experience in determination of individual patient treatment regimens, and help gain experience in the interactions between patients, therapists and family members.

Prerequisite: Satisfactory completion of year three of the medical school curriculum.

MPSY 985 Off Campus Student Initiated Elective
Credits 1.25 to 12. 1.25 to 12 Other Hours.
Formally described elective courses at another medical school or off-campus opportunities that are not formally approved electives. The College of Medicine requires that each of these electives be approved prior to the rotation.

MPSY 999 On Campus Student Initiated Elective
Credits 1.25 to 12. 1.25 to 12 Other Hours.
This is an on-campus opportunity in the department of Psychiatry in the College of Medicine that is not defined herein. Experiences may include clinical research, basic science research, library research, other basic science activities, and other clinical activities. Students interested in developing an elective of this type should contact the head of the appropriate department for additional details.