

## UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

## **COURSE SYLLABUS**

# Psychological Professions: Comparing Theories, Practices and Methodologies

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#### Learning area

KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS USEFUL TO UNDERSTAND AND CHANGE THE RELATIONS AMONG INDIVIDUALS AND THE PSYCHOSOCIAL PROCESSES UNDERLYING GROUPS, ORGANIZATIONS AND SOCIAL SYSTEMS

#### Learning objectives

Knowledge and understanding

- Professional areas of application in psychology
- Features of the psychological professions: professional activities, relationship with other professionals, relationships with organizations/agencies, professional path
- · Psychologist's professional skills

Applying knowledge and understanding

- Application of psychological skills in professional practice
- · Use of psychological theories in professional practice
- Design of a formative and professional path
- Reflective capacity about their own formative and professional path

• Recognition and use of personal and social resources for their own professional practice

#### Contents

An overview of the professional area of psychology will be provided, considering how psychological professions have developed in Italy.

Professional psychologists will be invited to the workshop to expose the students their experience and to interact with them. The aim is to give to the students the chance to understand the activities psychologists are involved every day, the skills they need and the obstacles they meet.

During the workshop, students will think about their formative and professional path and will consider the opportunities and obstacles they have.

#### **Detailed program**

Representation of psychological professions among students

Professional areas of application of psychology

The professional activities and tasks of psychologists in different areas and deriving responsibilities

The skills they need to carry out these activities

The use of psychological theories in everyday practice

The specificity of the psychologist and relationship with other professionals

The relationship with the membership organization, with external organizations and with social context

Resources and obstacles in the formative and professional path

#### Prerequisites

To attend the first and the last lesson.

A good knowledge of the basis of psychology (mandatory and optional courses) enables a more aware use of the course contents.

#### **Teaching methods**

In the Covid-19 emergency period the lessons will be held in mixed mode: partial presence (25%=4 hours) and asynchronous video recorded lessons (75%=12 hours). In the COVID-19 emergency period the second semester's teaching methods will be defined and updated according to the University rules.

Discussions, testimonies, group works, elaboration of written reflection

#### **Assessment methods**

Students are required to present a paper (in part individual and in part in group) which will be discussed with the teacher during the last lesson.

### **Textbooks and Reading Materials**

None