

# UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

# **COURSE SYLLABUS**

# **Cognitive Assessment in Childhood**

2324-2-F5104P040

#### Learning area

1: Psychological functioning: models and methods for assessment

## Learning objectives

Knowledge and understanding

- Planning of diagnostic evaluation in preschool and school-aged children
- Knowledge of assessment tools for cognitive functions in childhood.
- Increase of knowledge about neurodevelopmental disorders.

Applying knowledge and understanding

- Competence in selecting appropriate tests in order to evaluate specific cognitive functions.
- Knowledge regarding method of administration of assessment tools.
- Knowledge regarding methods of scoring of assessment tools and critical evaluation of results.

#### **Contents**

The course provides theoretical knowledge and practical expertise about instruments for the assessment of neuropsychological functioning in preschool and school-aged children, with specific reference to neurodevelopmental disorders.

# **Detailed program**

- Neuropsychological assessment in childhood
- · Assessment tools of reading, writing and mathematical skills
- Assessment tools of Attention and Executive Functioning.
- · Assessment tools of Memory
- Assessment tools of Visuo-spatial ability
- Discussion of clinical cases (Specific learning disorders, ADHD and Non-verbal learning disability)

## **Prerequisites**

Basic knowledge of neurodevelopmental disorders in childhood

#### **Teaching methods**

Exercises on test administration (MT, BDE, DDE, BIA).

Discussion of clinical cases.

#### **Assessment methods**

Report regarding the administration of some tests selected among those presented in class.

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## **Textbooks and Reading Materials**

Slides of the lectures.

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#### **Sustainable Development Goals**

GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING