UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Professional Deontology and Minor Protection - Turno A

2324-1-F5103P104-TA

Learning area

Learning objectives

Knowledge and understanding

Acquisition of basic rules of law and theoretical notions of ethics and civil and criminal legislation concerning the profession of psychologist

Applying knowledge and understanding

Ability to take decisions about patient’s care in total respect of professional ethics and civil and criminal law.

Contents

Program will cover main legal and ethical norms which guide the psychologist to manage the relationship with his patient, the breach of which may lead to liability in professional disciplinary, civil and criminal matters.
The workshop will be mainly focused on the discipline of the "contract of care," of the informed consent, of the professional secret and of illegitimate revelation cases. Particular attention will be given to the possibility of intervention on a minor patient. It will also face the question of the conditions and limitations under which the psychologist may possibly be called to respond upon for gestures of self/hetero-harming perpetrated by the patient.
Students will be asked to analyse problems that arise in professional practice, and to propose solutions that are at the same time legally grounded and able to meet the clinical needs of the patient.

Detailed program

Ethics and law
Psychology as a profession
Care contract
Informed consent Professional secret
Professional responsibility

Prerequisites

Teaching methods

Description of rules and principles and their ratio; case by law approach, aiming to verify comprehension and problem solving capacities.
Teaching activities will be delivered in presence.

Assessment methods

Students are required to have a frequency of at least 70% of the course.
The assessment will be made through a multiple-choice questionnaire.
The following in particular will be assessed: the acquisition of basic ethical-legal knowledge; the ability to consult the Italian Psychologists' Code of Ethics; the ability to resolve practical cases.

Textbooks and Reading Materials

G. Dodaro, La professione dello psicologo. Ordinamento, deontologia e responsabilità, Mondadori Università, Milano, 2006

Sustainable Development Goals

QUALITY EDUCATION