# Content of the Course (for subject wise syllabus of Part I and II)

# <u>Part - I (I Year)</u>

# <u>Group "A"</u>

Paper I : Psychosocial Foundation of Behavior and Psychopathology Paper II : Statistics and Research Methodology Paper III : Psychiatry Practical : Psychological Assessments including Viva Voce

# Group "B"

Submission : Five full-length Psychodiagnostic Records, out of which one record each should be related to, child and neuropsychological assessment. The records should include a summary of the clinical history organized under relevant headings, and a discussion on a) rationale for testing, b) areas to be investigated, c) tests administered and their rationale, d) test findings and e) impression

# Part - II (II Year)

#### Group "A"

Paper I: Biological Foundations of Behavior Paper II: Psychotherapy and Counseling Paper III: Behavioral Medicine Practical : Psychological Therapies including Viva Voce

# <u>Group "B"</u>

Submission : Five fully worked-out Psychotherapy Records, out of which one should be child therapy record. The records should include a summary of the clinical history organized under relevant headings, and a discussion on a) reasons for intervention(s), b) areas to be focused including short- and long-term objectives, c) type and technique of intervention employed and rationale d) therapy processes, e) changes in therapy or objectives, if any, andthe reasons for the same, f) outcome, g) prevention strategies, f) future plans

# Group "C"

Dissertation: Under the guidance of a Clinical Psychology faculty member with Ph.D. or minimum 2-yr experience (post-qualification) in clinical teaching or clinical research. If theresearch work is of interdisciplinary nature requiring input/supervision from another specialist, co-guide(s) from the related discipline may be appointed as deem necessary.

Minimum prescribed clini	cal work during the two	o year of training.
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-	Number of Cases Part - I	_ By the end of Part - II *
1) Detailed case histories	50	70
2) Clinical Interviews	40	60
3) Full length Psychodaignostics	40	50
4) Neuropsychological Assessment	5	10
5) Therapeutics		
i) Psychological Therapies	200 hi	rs.
ii) Behavior Therapies	200 hi	rs.

Therapies should be not less than 50 hr. of work in each of the following areas:

- a) Therapies with children
- b) Individual therapies with adults
- c) Family/marital/group/sex therapy
- d) Psychological and/or neuropsychological rehabilitation

A logbook of the clinical work carried out under the supervision during each year of training, with sufficient details such as particulars of the client, diagnosis, duration and nature of intervention(s), number of sessions held etc. should be maintained by all trainees and must be produced the same to the examiners at the time of Part - I and II practical examinations.

# Includes the work done in Part - I

# **Requirement/Submission**

- ✓ Two months prior to Part I examination the candidates are required to submit fivefull-length Psychodiagnostic Reports as outlined above.
- ✓ Two months prior to Part II examination the candidates are required to submit fivePsychotherapy Records as outlined above.
- ✓ Three months prior to Part II examination the candidates are required

to submit, in triplicate, a research Dissertation under the guidance of a clinical psychology faculty memberas specified above.

The application for appearing either Part - I or Part - II examination should be accompanied by a certificate issued by Head of Department that the candidate has carried out the specified minimum clinical work, submission, dissertation (in case of Part - II only) andhas attained the required competence in core-tests (refer section on "<u>Practical - PsychologicalAssessments</u>" for the list of core-tests and an addendum), as prescribed in the syllabus.

# **Internal Assessment**

In each paper 30% marks will be determined on the basis of written/clinical exams, viva-voceand supervised clinical work. These marks will be added to the marks allocated to the respective subjects in the yearly final examinations. The results of the final examinations willbe declared on the basis of the total so obtained. The guidelines for allotting the internal marks may be prepared by the institution concerned.

# Examination

The examination will be held in two parts (Part - I and Part - II). Part –I is held at the end of first year and Part – II is held at the end of second year. A candidate willnot be allowed to take the Part – II examination unless he/she has passed the Part – I examination.

A candidate who has not appeared or failed in Part – I of the regular examination maybe allowed to continue the course for the II year and be allowed to take the supplementary Part – I examination.

A minimum period of three months additional training shall be necessary before appearing for the examination in case he/she fails to clear Part – I and/or Part – II examination.

A candidate has to complete the course successfully within a period of four years from the year of admission to the course.

# **Examination Fee**

The prescribed examination fee as laid down from time to time by the concerned university to appear for Part – I and Part – II of the examination should be paid as per the regulations.

# Scheme of Examination

Papers	Title	Duratio	Marks		
		n	Final Assessment (Maximum)	Internal Assessment (Maximum)	Total
Group "A	"	1			
Paper I	Psychosocial Foundations of Behavior and Psychopathology	3 hr.	70	30	100
Paper II	Statistics and Researc hMethodology	3 hr.	70	30	100
Paper III	Psychiatry	3 hr.	70	30	100
Assess Voce	Psychological ments and Viva		70	30	100
Group "B					
	on of five cases of full- chodiagnostics Report		None	100	100
				Total	500

# <u> Part – I (I Year)</u>

# <u> Part – II (II Year)</u>

Papers Titl e	Titl	Duratio	Marks		
	n	Final Assessment (Maximum)	Internal Assessment (Maximum)	Total	
Group "A	,,				
Paper I	Biological Foundations of Behavior	3 hr.	70	30	100
Paper II	Psychotherapy andCounseling	3 hr.	70	30	100
Paper II	Behavioral Medicine	3 hr.	70	30	100
Therap	Psychological y and Viva Voce		140	60	200
Group "B					
	on of five cases of full- chotherapy Report		None	100	100
Group "C	7				
Dissertati	on		70	30	100
				Total	700

# **Board of Examination**

A board consisting of 4 examiners of which 2 shall be external and 2 shall be internal will conduct the examination. The Chairman of the board of examiners will be the Head of the Department of Clinical Psychology who will also be an internal examiner.

Two examiners, one internal and one external, shall evaluate each theory paper and dissertation. Two examiners, of whom one shall be external, will conduct the practical/clinical and vivo-voce examination.

# **Minimum for Pass**

A candidate shall be declared to have passed in either of the two parts of the M. Phil.examination if he/she obtains not less than 50% of the marks in:

- Each of the theory paper
- > Each of the practical and viva-voce examinations
- Each of the submissions
- > The dissertation (in case of Part II only)

A candidate who obtains 75% and above marks in the aggregate of both the parts shallbe declared to have passed with distinction. A candidate who secures between 60% and below 75% of marks in the aggregate of both the parts shall be declared to have passed M.Phil degree in I Class. The other successful candidates as per the clause (a) of the above shall be declared to have passed M.Phil degree in II Class. If a candidate fails to pursue the course on a continuous basis, or fails or absent himself/ herself from appearing in any of theuniversity theory and practical examinations of Part – I and II, the class shall not be awarded. The merit class (Distinction / First Class) is awarded to only those candidates who pass bothPart – I and II examinations in first attempt.

No candidate shall be permitted to appear either of Part – I or II examination more than three times.

# Appearance for each examination

A candidate shall appear for all the Groups of Part – I and Part – II examination whenappearing for the first time.

A candidate in Part – I and Part – II, failing in any of the "Group-A" subjects has to appear again in all the "Group-A" subjects.

# A candidate in Part – I, failing in "Group-B" has to resubmit five full- length Psychodiagnostic Records.

A candidate in Part – II, failing in "Group-B" has to resubmit five fully worked- outPsychotherapeutic Records.

A candidate in Part – II, failing in "Group-C", has to reappear/ resubmit the dissertation as asked for and/or outlined by the examiners.

# SUBJECT WISE SYLLABUS OF PART - I AND PART - II

The syllabus for each of the paper of Part-I and II is as appended below. It is desired that each units of theory papers be covered with at least 2-hr. of input in the form of didactic lectures, seminars, tutorials/topic discussion or review of journal articles as deemed fit depending on content nature of the units. Approximately 80-hr of theory teaching shall be required in each part of the course (in all 40 units have been worked out from three theory papers of Part-I and in Part-II), in addition to opportunities for learning through clinical case management and work-ups. For this purpose, various methods of input that are normally followed are accounted as follows:

Each didactic lecture on any of the topic of the syllabus is considered as one hour of theory input. Similarly, each seminar, tutorial/topic discussion or review of research article is considered as two hour of input in the relevant area. Attention shall be given, however, to see that each method of teaching shall not exceed 25% of the required teaching input.

# Part - I (Year - I)

# PAPER - I: Psychosocial Foundations of Behavior and Psychopathology

# Aim:

The psychosocial perspectives attempt to understand human cognition, motives, perceptions and behavior as well as their aberrations as product of an interaction amongst societal, cultural, familial and religious factors. The overall aim is to introduce conceptualizations of mental health problems within the psychosocial framework, giving due considerations to contextual issues. Each unit in this paper pays attention to the different types of causal factors considered most influential in shaping both vulnerability to psychopathology and the form that pathology may take.

# **Objectives:**

By the end of Part – I, trainees are required to demonstrate ability to:

1. Demonstrate a working knowledge of the theoretical application of the

psychosocial model to various disorders.

- 2. Make distinctions between universal and culture-specific disorders paying attention to the different types of sociocultural causal factors.
- 3. Demonstrate an awareness of the range of mental health problems with which clients can present to services, as well as their psychosocial/contextual mediation.
- 4. Carry out the clinical work up of clients with mental health problems and build psychosocial formulations and interventions, drawing on their knowledge of psychosocial models and their strengths and weaknesses.
- Apply and integrate alternative or complementary theoretical frameworks, for example, biological and/or religious perspectives, sociocultural beliefs and practicesetc. in overall management of mental health problems.
- 6. Describe, explain and apply current code of conduct and ethical principles that apply to clinical psychologists working in the area of mental health and illness.
- 7. Describe Mental Health Acts and Policies, currently prevailing in the country and their implications in professional activities of clinical psychologists.

# **Academic Format of Units:**

Learning would be mainly through clinical workup of clients presenting with range of mentalhealth problems, and supplemented by lectures, seminars and tutorials, allowing trainees to participate in collaborative discussion.

# **Evaluation**:

Theory – involving long and short essays

# Syllabus: Part – A (Psychosocial Foundations of Behavior)

- Unit I: Introduction: Scope of clinical psychology; overview of the profession and practice; history and growth; professional role and functions; current issuesand trends; areas of specialization; ethical and legal issues; code of conduct.
- Unit II: Mental health and illness: Mental health care past and present; stigma and attitude towards mental illness; concept of mental health and illness; perspectives – psychodynamic, behavioral, cognitive, humanistic, existential and biological models of

mental health/illness;

- Unit III: Epidemiology: Epidemiological studies in Indian context; sociocultural correlates of mental illness, mental health, psychological well-being and quality of life.
- Unit IV: Self and relationships: Self-concept, self-image, self-perception and self- regulations in mental health and illness; learned helplessness and attribution theories; social skill model; interpersonal and communication models of mental illness; stress diathesis model, resilience, coping and social support.
- Unit V: Family influences: Early deprivation and trauma; neglect and abuse; attachment; separation; inadequate parenting styles; marital discord and divorce; maladaptive peer relationships; communication style; family burden; emotional adaptation; expressed emotions and relapse.
- Unit VI: Societal influences: Discrimination in race, gender and ethnicity; social class and structure, poverty and unemployment; prejudice, social change and uncertainty; crime and delinquency; social tension & violence; urban stressors; torture & terrorism; culture shock; migration; religion & gender related issues with reference to India.
- Unit VII: Disability: Definition and classification of disability; psychosocial models of disability; impact, needs and problems; issues related to assessment/certification of disability areas and measures.
- Unit VIII: Rehabilitation: Approaches to rehabilitation; interventions in the rehabilitation processes; models of adaptation to disability; family and caregivers issues; rights of mentally ill; empowerment issues; support to recovery.
- Unit IX: Policies and Acts: Rehabilitation Policies and Acts (Mental Health Act of 1987,National Mental Health Program 1982, the Persons With Disabilities (equal opportunities, protection of rights and full participation) Act 1995; Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI) Act of 1992, National Trust for Mental Retardation, CP and Autistic Children 1999, Juvenile Justice Act of 1986; Mental Health Care Bill 2011; ethical and forensic issues in psychiatry practice); assistance, concessions, social benefits and support from government and voluntary organizations; contemporary challenges; rehabilitation ethics and professional code of

conduct.

# Part – B (Psychopathology)

- Unit X: Introduction to psychopathology: Definition; concepts of normality and abnormality; clinical criteria of abnormality; continuity (dimensional) versus discontinuity (categorical), and prototype models of psychopathology; classification and taxonomies – reliability and utility; classificatory systems, currently in use and their advantages and limitations. Approach to clinical interviewing and diagnosis; case history; mental status examination; organization and presentation of psychiatric information; diagnostic formulation.
- Unit XI: Psychological theories: Psychodynamic; behavioral; cognitive; humanistic; interpersonal; psychosocial; and other prominent theories/models of principal clinical disorders and problems, viz. anxiety, obsessive- compulsive, somatoform, dissociative, adjustment, sexual, substance use, personality, suicide, childhood and adolescence, psychotic, mood disorders, and culture-specific disorders.
- Unit XII: Indian thoughts: Concept of mental health and illness; nosology and taxonomy of mental illness; social identity and stratification (Varnashrama Vyawastha); concept of cognition, emotion, personality, motivation and their disorders.

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# PAPER - II: Statistics and Research Methodology

# Aim:

The aim of this paper is to elucidate various issues involved in conduct of a sound experiment/survey. With suitable examples from behavioral field, introduce the trainees to the menu of statistical tools available for their research, and to develop their understanding of the conceptual bases of these tools. Tutorial work will involve exposure to the features available in a large statistical package (SPSS) while at the same time reinforcing the concepts discussed in lectures.

# **Objectives:**

By the end of Part – II, trainees are required to demonstrate ability to:

- 1. Understand the empirical meaning of parameters in statistical models
- 2. Understand the scientific meaning of explaining variability

- 3. Understand experimental design issues control of unwanted variability, confoundingand bias.
- 4. Take account of relevant factors in deciding on appropriate methods and instruments touse in specific research projects.
- 5. Understand the limitations and shortcomings of statistical models
- 6. Apply relevant design/statistical concepts in their own particular research projects.
- 7. Analyze data and interpret output in a scientifically meaningful way
- 8. Generate hypothesis/hypotheses about behavior and prepare a research protocoloutlining the methodology for an experiment/survey.
- 9. Critically review the literature to appreciate the theoretical and methodological issues involved.

Academic Format of Units:

The course will be taught mainly in a mixed lecture/tutorial format, allowing trainees to participate in collaborative discussion. Demonstration and hands-on experience with SPSSprogram are desired activities.

Evaluation:

Theory - involving long and short essays, and problem-solving exercises **Syllabus:** 

- Unit I: Introduction: Various methods to ascertain knowledge, scientific method and its features; problems in measurement in behavioral sciences; levels of measurement of psychological variables - nominal, ordinal, interval and ratio scales; test construction - item analysis, concept and methods of establishing reliability, validity and norms.
- Unit II: Sampling: Probability and non-probability; various methods of sampling simple random, stratified, systematic, cluster and multistage sampling; sampling and non-sampling errors and methods of minimizing these errors.
- Unit III: Concept of probability: Probability distribution normal, poisson, binomial; descriptive statistics - central tendency, dispersion,

skewness and kurtosis.

- Unit IV: Hypothesis testing: Formulation and types; null hypothesis, alternate hypothesis, type I and type II errors, level of significance, power of the test,p-value. Concept of standard error and confidence interval.
- Unit V: Tests of significance Parametric tests: Requirements, "t" test, normal z-test, and "F" test including post-hoc tests, one-way and two-way analysis of variance, analysis of covariance, repeated measures analysis of variance, simple linear correlation and regression.
- Unit VI: Tests of significance Non-parametric tests: Assumptions; Onesample tests(sign test, Mc Nemer test); two-sample test (Mann Whitney U test, Wilcoxon rank sum test); k-sample tests (Kruskal Wallies test, and Friedman test) and chi-square test.
- Unit VII: Experimental design: Randomization, replication, completely randomized design, randomized block design, factorial design, crossover design, single subject design, non-experimental design.
- Unit VIII: Epidemiological studies: Epidemiological studies: Rates-Prevalence and incidence; Types- Prospective and retrospective studies; Diagnostic Efficiency Statistics (sensitivity, specificity, predictive values); Risk Estimation- odds ratio and survival analysis.
- Unit IX: Multivariate analysis: Introduction, Multiple regression, logistic regression, factor analysis, cluster analysis, discriminant function analysis, path analysis, MANOVA, Canonical correlation, and Multidimensional scaling.
- Unit X: Sample size estimation: Sample size determination for estimation of mean, estimation of proportion, comparing two means and comparing two proportions.
- Unit XI: Qualitative analysis of data: Content analysis, qualitative methods of psychosocial research.

Unit - XII: Use of computers: Use of relevant statistical package in the field of behavioral science and their limitations.

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# **PAPER - III: Psychiatry**

Aim:

The aim is to train in conceptualization of psychopathology from different etiological perspectives, eliciting phenomenology and arrive at the clinical diagnosis following a classificatory system and propose/carry out psychological interventions including psychosocial treatment/management for the entire range of psychological disorders. Also, totrain in assessing the caregivers' burden, disability and dysfunctions that are often associated with mental disorders and intervene as indicated in a given case.

# Objectives:

By the end of Part – I, trainees are required to demonstrate ability to:

- 1. Demonstrate an understanding of a clinically significant behavioral and psychologicalsyndrome, and differentiate between child and adult clinical features/presentation.
- 2. Understand that in many ways the culture, societal and familial practices shape the clinical presentation of mental disorders, and understand the role of developmental factors inadult psychopathology.
- 3. Carryout the clinical work up of clients presenting with the range of mental health problems and make clinical formulations/diagnosis drawing on their knowledge of apertinent diagnostic criteria and phenomenology.
- 4. Summarizes the psychosocial, biological and sociocultural causal factors associated with mental health problems and neuropsychological

disorders with an emphasis on biopsychosocial and other systemic models.

- 5. Carryout with full competence the psychological assessment, selecting and using a variety of instruments in both children and adults.
- 6. Describe various intervention programs in terms of their efficacy and effectiveness with regard to short and longer term goals, and demonstrate beginning competence in carrying out the indicated interventions, monitor progress and outcome.
- 7. Discuss various pharmacological agents that are used to treat common mental disorders and their mode of action.
- 8. Demonstrate an understanding of caregiver, and family burden and their coping style.
- 9. Assess the disability/dysfunctions that are associated with mental health problems, usingappropriate measures.
- 10. Discuss the medico-legal and ethical issues in patients requiring chronic care and institutionalization.

# Academic Format of Units:

The learning would be primarily through clinical workups of cases having psychiatric disorders. A mixed lectures/seminar format, allowing trainees to participate in collaborative discussion, could be adapted in addition, for imparting theory components.

# Evaluation:

Theory – involving long and short essays, practical/clinical exam in psychological assessment of psychiatric cases and comprehensive viva.

# Syllabus:

- Unit I: Signs and symptoms: Disorders of consciousness, attention, motor behavior, orientation, experience of self, speech, thought, perception, emotion, and memory.
- Unit II: Psychoses: Schizophrenia, affective disorders, delusional disorders and other forms of psychotic disorders – types, clinical features, etiology and management.

- Unit III: Neurotic, stress-related and somatoform disorders: types, clinical features, etiology and management.
- Unit IV: Disorders of personality and behavior: Specific personality disorders; mental &behavioral disorders due to psychoactive substance use; habit and impulse disorders; sexual disorders and dysfunctions types, clinical features, etiology and management.
- Unit V: Organic mental disorders: Dementia, delirium and other related conditions with neuralgic and systemic disorders types, clinical features, etiology and management.
- Unit VI: Behavioral, emotional and developmental disorders of childhood and adolescence: types, clinical features, etiology and management.
- Unit VII: Mental retardation: Classification, etiology and management.
- Unit VIII: Neurobiology of mental disorders: Neurobiological theories of psychosis, mood disorders, suicide, anxiety disorders, substance use disorders and other emotional and behavioral syndromes.
- Unit IX: Therapeutic approaches: Drugs, ECT, psychosurgery, psychotherapy, and behavior therapy, preventive and rehabilitative strategies – half-way home,sheltered workshop, daycare, and institutionalization.
- Unit X: Consultation-liaison psychiatry: Psychiatric consultation in general hospital; primary care setting.

Unit - XI: Special populations/Specialties: Geriatric, terminally ill, HIV/AIDS, suicidal, abused, violent and noncooperative patients; psychiatric services in community, and following disaster/calamity.

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# PRACTICAL - Psychological Assessments (Part - I)

Aim:

To provide hands-on experience in acquiring the necessary skills and competency in selecting, administering, scoring and interpreting psychological tests often employed in clients with mental or neuropsychological disorders. Since psychological assessment involves integration of information from multiple sources, the trainees are required to be given extensive exposure in working up of cases and carrying out the assessment at all levels. Typical areas of focus for psychological assessment includes (not necessarily limited to): cognition, intelligence, personality, diagnostic, levels of adjustment, disability/functional capacity, neuropsychological functions, clinical ratings of symptomatology, variables that help/direct treatment, and assess treatment outcomes.

Objectives:

By the end of Part – I, trainees are required to demonstrate ability to:

- 1. Use relevant criteria to assess the quality and appropriateness of a psychological test and evaluate its strengths and weaknesses for clinical purposes.
- 2. Able to carry out the clinical work-up and discuss the diagnostic possibilities based on he history and mental status examination of the clients with psychological/neuropsychological problems.
- 3. Synthesize and integrate collateral information from multiple sources and discuss the rationale for psychological assessment as relevant to the areas being assessed.
- 4. Select and justify the use of psychological tests and carry out the assessment as per the specified procedures in investigating the relevant domains.
- 5. Interpret the findings in the backdrop of the clinical history and mental status findings and arrive at a diagnosis.

6. Prepare the report of the findings as relevant to the clinical questions asked or hypothesis set up before the testing began, and integrate the findings in serviceactivities.

Academic Format of Units:

Acquiring the required competency/skills would be primarily through clinical workups of cases having psychological/neuropsychological disorders and carrying out the indicated psychological assessments within the clinical context. Demonstration and tutorials shall be held for imparting practical/theory components of the psychological tests.

Evaluation:

Practical/clinical – involve working up cases and carrying out the psychological assessment within clinical context and viva voce.

Syllabus:

- Unit I: Introduction: Case history; mental status examination; rationale of psychological assessment; behavioral observations, response recording, and syntheses of information from different sources; formats of report writing.
- Unit II: Tests of cognitive functions: Bender gestalt test; Wechsler memory scale; PGI memory scale; Wilcoxen cord sorting test, Bhatia's battery of performance tests of intelligence; Binet's test of intelligence (locally standardized); Raven's progressive matrices (all versions); Wechsler adult intelligence scale – Indian adaptation (WAPIS – Ramalingaswamy's), WAIS-R.
- Unit III: Tests for diagnostic clarification: A) Rorschach psychodiagnostics,
  B) Tests forthought disorders color form sorting test, object sorting test, proverbs test,
  C) Minnesota multiphasic personality inventory; multiphasic questionnaire, clinical analysis questionnaire, IPDE, D) screening instruments such as GHQ, hospital anxiety/depression scale etc. to detect psychopathology.
- Unit IV: Tests for adjustment and personality assessment: A) Questionnaires and inventories – 16 personality factor questionnaire, NEO-5 personality inventory, temperament and character inventory, Eyesenk's personality inventory, Eysenck's personality questionnaire, self-concept and self- esteem scales, Rottor's locus of control scale, Bell's adjustment inventory

(students' and adults'), subjective well-being questionnaires, QOL , B) projective tests – sentence completion test, picture frustration test, draw-a-person test; TAT – Murray's and Uma Chowdhary's.

- Unit V: Rating scales: Self-rated and observer-rated scales of different clinical conditions such as anxiety, depression, mania, OCD, phobia, panic disorder etc. (including Leyton's obsessional inventory, Y-BOCS, BDI, STAI, HADS, HARS, SANS, SAPS, PANSS, BPRS), issues related to clinical applications and recent developments.
- Unit VI: Psychological assessment of children: A) Developmental psychopathology check list, CBCL, B) Administration, scoring and interpretation of tests of intelligence scale for children such as SFB, C-RPM, Malin's WISC, Binet'stests, and developmental schedules (Gesell's, Illingworth's and other) Vineland social maturity scale, AMD adaptation scale for mental retardation, BASIC-MR, developmental screening test (Bharatraj's), C) Tests of scholastic abilities, tests of attention, reading, writing, arithmetic, visuo-motor gestalt, and integration, D) Projective tests Raven's controlled projection test, draw-a-person test, children's apperception test,
  E) Clinical rating scales such as for autism, ADHD etc.
- Unit VII: Tests for people with disabilities: WAIS-R, WISC-R (for visual handicapped), blind learning aptitude test, and other interest and aptitude tests, Kauffman's assessment battery and such other tests/scales for physically handicapped individuals.
- Unit VIII: Neuropsychological assessment: LNNB, Halstead-Reitan battery, PGI-BBD, NIMHANS and other batteries of neuropsychological tests in current use.

#### **Core Tests: (additions proposed)**

- 1. Stanford Binet's test of intelligence (any vernacular version)
- 2. Raven's test of intelligence (all forms)
- 3. Bhatia's battery of intelligence tests
- 4. Wechsler adult performance intelligence scale
- 5. Malin's intelligence scale for children
- 6. Gesell's developmental schedule
- 7. Wechsler memory scale
- 8. PGI memory scale
- 9. 16 personality factor questionnaire
- 10. NEO-5 personality inventory

- 11. Temperament and character inventory
- 12. Children personality questionnaire
- 13. Clinical analysis questionnaire
- 14. Multiphasic questionnaire
- 15. Object sorting/classification test
- 16. Sentence completion test
- 17. Thematic apperception test
- 18. Children' apperception test
- 19. Rorschach psychodiagnostics
- 20. Neuropsychological battery of tests (any standard version)

A certificate by the head of the department that the candidate has attained the required competence in all of the above tests shall be necessary for appearing in the university examinations of Part – I. However, if the center opts to test and certify the competency inneuropsychological tests as part of the requirements for appearing in the university examinations of Part - II (i.e. excluding it from Part - I), it could be done so. In such case, the Practical/Clinical examinations of Part – II shall include an examination in this area, inaddition to examination in Psychological Therapies.

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# Part - II (Year - II)

# PAPER – I: Biological Foundations of Behavior

Aim:

Brain disorders cause symptoms that look remarkably like other functional

psychological disorders. Learning how brain is involved in the genesis of normal and abnormal behavioral/emotional manifestation would result in better clinical judgment, lesser diagnosticerrors and increase sensitivity to consider and rule out a neuropsyhological origin orbiochemical mediation of the psychopathology. Also, current researches have indicated many pharmacological agents dramatically alter the severity and course of certain mental disorders, particularly the more severe disorders. Therefore, the aim of this paper is to provide important biological foundations of human behavior and various syndromes. The main focusis the nervous system and its command center – the brain.

#### Objectives:

By the end of Part – I, trainees are required to demonstrate ability to:

- 1. Describe the nature and basic functions of the nervous system.
- 2. Explain what neurons are and how they process information.
- 3. Identify the brain's levels and structures, and summarize the functions of its structures.
- 4. Describe the biochemical aspects of brain and how genetics increase our understanding f behavior.
- 5. State what endocrine system is and how it regulates internal environment and affects behavior.
- 6. Discuss the principles of psychopharmacology and review the general role of neurotransmitters and neuromodulators in the brain.
- 7. Describe the monoaminergic and cholinergic pathway in the brain and the drugs that affect these neurons.
- 8. Describe the role of neurons that release amino acid neurotransmitters and the drugs that affect these neurons.
- 9. Describe what kinds of clinical symptoms are often associated with lesions of frontal, parietal, temporal and occipital lobes of the brain.
- 10. Describe what kinds of neuropsychological deficits are often associated with lesions offrontal, parietal, temporal and occipital lobes of the brain, and carry out the indicated neuropsychological assessment employing any valid battery of tests.
- 11. Describe what kinds of neuropsychological deficits are often associated with

subcortical lesions of the brain.

- 12. List symptoms that are typical of focal and diffuse brain damage.
- 13. Enumerate the characteristics of clinical syndrome and the nature of neuropsychological deficits seenin various cortical and subcortical dementias.
- 14. Describe the neuropsychological profile of principal psychiatric syndromes.
- 15. Demonstrate an understanding of functional neuro-imaging techniques and their application inpsychological disorders and cognitive neuroscience.
- 16. Demonstrate an understanding of the principles involved in neuropsychological assessment, itsstrengths and weaknesses, and its indications.
- 17. Describe the nature of disability associated with head injury in the short and longer term, methods of remedial training and their strengths and weakness.

# Academic Format of Units:

The learning would be primarily through clinical assessment of cases with brain lesions and disorders. Lectures, seminars and demonstrations by the experts in specific discipline, disease, topics such as by Anatomist, Biochemist, Physiologist, Psychiatrist, Neurologist and Neurosurgeons are required to impartknowledge and skills in certain domains. Depending on the resources available at the center these academic activity can be arranged.

# **Evaluation:**

**Theory** – involving long and short essays, practical/clinical exam in neuropsychological assessmentwith cases having a brain lesion/disorder and comprehensive viva.

# Syllabus:

Part – A (Anatomy, Physiology and Biochemistry of CNS)

- Unit –I: Anatomy of the brain: Major anatomical sub-divisions of the human brain; the surface anatomy and interior structures of cortical and sub-cortical regions; anatomical connectivity among the various regions; blood supply to brain and the CSF system; cytoarchitecture and modular organization in the brain.
- Unit –II: Structure and functions of cells: Cells of the nervous system (neurons, supporting cells, blood-brain barrier); communication within a neuron (membrane potential, action potential); communication between neurons (neurotransmitters, neuromodulators and hormones).
- Unit III: Biochemistry of the brain: Biochemical, metabolic and genetic aspect of

Major mentaldisorders, mental retardation and behavioural disorders.

- Unit IV: Neurobiology of sensory-motor systems and internal environment: Organization of sensory-motor system in terms of receptors and thalamocortical pathways and motorresponses.
- Unit V Regulation of Internal Environment: Role of limbic, autonomic and the neuroendocrine system in regulating the internal environment; reticular formationand other important neural substrates regulating the state of sleep/wakefulness.
- Unit VI : Neurobiology of Behaviour : Neurological aspects of drives, motivation, hunger, thirst, sex, emotions, learning and memory.
- Unit –VII: Neurotransmitters and behaviour: Role of neurotransmitters and neuromodulators (acetylcholine, monoamines, amino acids, peptides, lipids) in various aspects of behaviour including learning and memory.
- Part B (Neuropsychology)
- Unit –VIII: Introduction: Relationship between structure and function of the brain; the rise of neuropsychology as a distinct discipline, logic of cerebral organization; localization and lateralization of functions; approaches and methodologies of clinical and cognitive neuropsycholoigsts.
- Unit-IX: Frontal lobe syndrome: Disturbances of regulatory functions; attentional processes; emotions; memory and intellectual activity; language and motor functions.
- Unit X: Temporal lobe syndrome: Special senses hearing, vestibular functions and integrative functions; disturbances in learning and memory functions; language, emotions, time perception and consciousness.
- Unit XI: Parietal and occipital lobe syndromes: Disturbances in sensory functions and body schema perception; agnosias and apraxias; disturbances in visual space perception; color perception; writing and reading ability.
- Unit XII: Neuropsychological profile of neuro-psychiatric conditions: Neuropsychological profile of cortical and subcortical dementia; major mental disorders and substance use disorders.
- Unit XIII: Functional human brain mapping: QEEG, EP & ERP, PET, SPECT, fMRI
- Unit–XIVL: Neuropsychological assessment: Introduction, principles, relevance, scope and indications for neuropsychological assessment and issues

involved in neuropsychological assessment of children.

Unit–XV: Neuropsychological rehabilitation: Principles, objectives and methods of neuro-rehabilitation of traumatic brain injury, organic brain disorders, major psychiatric disorders and behavioural disorders; scope of computer-based retraining, neurofeedback, cognitive aids.

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# **PAPER - II: Psychotherapy and Counseling**

# Aim:

Impart knowledge and skills necessary to carry out psychological interventions in mental health problems with required competency. As a prelude to problembased learning within aclinical context, the trainees are introduced to factors that lead to development of an effectiveworking therapeutic alliance, pre-treatment assessment, setting therapy goals, evaluation of success of therapy in producing desired changes, and variables that affect the therapy processes. Further, the aim is to equip the trainees with various theories of clinical problems, and intervention techniques, and their advantages and limitations.

# **Objectives:**

By the end of Part – II, trainees are required to demonstrate ability to:

- 1. Describe what factors are important in determining how well patients do in psychotherapy?
- 2. Demonstrate an ability to provide a clear, coherent, and succinct account of patient's problems and to develop an appropriate treatment plan.
- 3. Demonstrate a sense of working collaboratively on the problem and ability to foster aneffective alliance.
- 4. Demonstrate a working knowledge of theoretical application of various approaches of therapy to clinical conditions.
- 5. Set realistic goals for intervention taking into consideration the social and contextual mediation.
- 6. Carry out specialized assessments and interventions, drawing on their knowledge of pertinent outcome/evidence research.
- 7. Use appropriate measures of quantifying changes and, apply and integrate alternative or complementary theoretical approach, depending on the intervention outcome.
- 8. Demonstrate skills in presenting and communicating some aspects of current intervention work for assessment by other health professionals, give and receive constructive feedback.

- 9. Demonstrate ability to link theory-practice and assimilate clinical, professional, academic and ethical knowledge in their role of a therapist.
- 10. Present a critical analysis of intervention related research articles and proposetheir own methods/design of replicating such research.

Academic Format of Units:

Acquiring the required competency/skills would be primarily through clinical workups and carrying out of various treatment techniques, under supervision, within clinical context. Thetrainees are required to be involved in all clinical service activities – institutional or community based, of the center. Demonstration, clinical issue seminar, clinical seminar, clinical case conferences are required to be planned to impart the necessary knowledge and skills.

#### Evaluation:

Theory - involving long and short essays, and practical/clinical - involving workup and assessment of clinical cases with viva voce.

Syllabus:

- Unit I: Introduction to Psychotherapy: Definitions, objectives, issues related to training professional therapists; ethical and legal issues involved in therapy work; rights and responsibilities in psychotherapy; issues related to consent (assent in case of minors); planning and recording of therapy sessions; structuring and setting goals; pre- and post-assessment; practice of evidence-based therapies.
- Unit II: Therapeutic Relationship: Client and therapist characteristics; illness, techniqueand other factors influencing the relationship.
- Unit III: Interviewing: Objectives of interview, interviewing techniques, types of interview, characteristics of structured and unstructured interview, interviewing skills (micro skills), openended questions, clarification, reflection, facilitation and confrontation, silences in interviews, verbal and non-verbal components.
- Unit IV: Affective psychotherapies: Origin, basis, formulation, procedures, techniques, stages, process, outcome, indications, and research & current status with respect to psychodynamic, brief psychotherapy, humanistic, existential, gestalt, person-centered, Adlerian, transactional analysis, reality therapy, supportive,

clinical hypnotherapy, play therapy, psychodrama, and oriental approaches such as yoga, meditation, shavasana, pranic healing, reiki, tai chi etc.

- Unit V: Behavior therapies: Origin, foundations, principles & methodologies, problemsand criticisms, empirical status, behavioral assessment, formulations and treatment goals, Desensitization (imaginal, invivo, enriched, assisted), Extinction (graded exposure, flooding and response prevention, implosion, covert extinction, negative practice, stimulus satiation), Skill training (assertiveness training, modeling, behavioral rehearsal), Operant procedures (token economy, contingency management), Aversion (faradic aversiontherapy, covert sensitization, aversion relief procedure, anxiety relief procedure and avoidance conditioning), Self-control procedures (thought stop, paradoxical intention, stimulus satiation), Biofeedback (EMG, GSR, EEG, Temp., EKG), Behavioral counseling, Group behavioral approaches, Behavioral family/marital therapies.
- Unit VI: Cognitive therapies: Cognitive model, principles and assumptions, techniques, indications and current status of rational emotive behavior therapy, cognitive behavior therapy, cognitive analytic therapy, dialectical behaviortherapy, problem-solving therapy, mindfulness based cognitive therapy, schema focused therapy, cognitive restructuring, and other principal models of cognitive therapies.
- Unit VII: Systemic therapies: Origin, theoretical models, formulation, procedures, techniques, stages, process, outcome, indications, and research & current status with respect to family therapy, marital therapy, group therapy, sex therapy, interpersonal therapy and other prominent therapies.
- Unit VIII: Physiological therapies: Origin, basis, formulation, procedures, techniques, stages, process, outcome, indications, and current status with respect to progressive muscular relaxation, autogenic training, biofeedback, eye- movement desensitization and reprocessing, and other forms of evidence- based therapies.
- Unit IX: Counseling: Definition and goals, techniques, behavioral, cognitive and humanistic approaches, process, counseling theory and procedures to specific domains of counseling.
- Unit X: Therapy in special conditions: Therapies and techniques in the management of deliberate self harm, bereavement, traumatic, victims of man-made ornatural disasters, in crisis, personality

disorders, chronic mental illness, substance use, HIV/AIDS, learning disabilities, mental retardation, and such other conditions where integrative/eclectic approach is the basis of clinical intervention.

Unit - XI: Therapy with children: Introduction to different approaches,

psychoanalytic therapies (Ana Freud, Melanie Klein, Donald Winnicott); special techniques (behavioral and play) for developmental internalizing and externalizing disorders; therapy in special conditions such as psycho- physiological and chronic physical illness; parent and family counseling; therapy with adolescents.

- Unit XII: Psychoeducation (therapeutic education): Information and emotional support for family members and caregivers, models of therapeutic education, familycounseling for a collaborative effort towards recovery, relapse-prevention and successful rehabilitation with regard to various debilitating mental disorders.
- Unit XIII: Psychosocial rehabilitation: Rehabilitation services, resources, medical and psychosocial aspects of disability, assessment, group therapy, supportive therapy and other forms of empirically supported psychotherapies for coreand peripheral members.
- Unit XIV: Indian approaches to Psychotherapy: Yoga, Meditation, Mindfulness –basedintervention: methods , processes and outcome.
- Unit XV: Contemporary issues and research: Issues related evidence-based practice, managed care, and research related to process and outcome.

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# PAPER - III: Behavioral Medicine

Aim:

Health psychology, as one of the subspecialties of applied psychology, has made a notable impact on almost the entire range of clinical medicine. The field deals with psychological theories and methods that contribute immensely to the understanding and appreciation of health behavior, psychosocial and cultural factors influencing the development, adjustment to, treatment, outcome and prevention of psychological components of medical problems. The aim of behavioral medicine is to elucidate the effects of stress on immune, endocrine, and neurotransmitter functions among others, psychological process involved in health choices individuals make and adherence to preventive regimens, the effectiveness of psychological interventions in altering unhealthy lifestyles and in directly reducing illness related to various systems. Further, to provide the required skills and competency to assess and intervene for psychological factors that may predispose an individual to physical illness and that maintain symptoms, in methods of mitigating the negative effects of stressful situations/events, and buffering personal resources.

Objectives:

By the end of Part – II, trainees are required to demonstrate ability to:

- 1. Appreciate the impact of psychological factors on developing and surviving a systemicillness.
- 2. Understand the psychosocial impact of an illness and psychological interventions used inthis context.
- 3. Understand the psychosocial outcomes of disease, psychosocial interventions employed toalter the unfavorable outcomes.
- 4. Understand the rationale of psychological interventions and their relative efficacy inchronic disease, and carry out the indicated

interventions.

- 5. Understand the importance of physician-patient relationships and communication indetermining health outcomes.
- 6. Understand of how basic principles of health psychology are applied in specific context ofvarious health problems, and apply them with competence.
- 7. Demonstrate the required sensitivity to issues of death and dying, breaking bad news, and end-of-life issues.
- 8. Carry out specialized interventions during period of crisis, grief and bereavement.
- 9. Understand, assimilate, apply and integrate newer evidence-based research findings intherapies, techniques and processes.
  - 10. Critically evaluate current health psychology/behavioral medicine research articles, and present improved design/methods of replicating such research.
- 11. Demonstrate the sense responsibility while working collaboratively with anotherspecialist and foster a working alliance.

# Academic Format of Units:

Format would be essentially same as Paper – I on Therapies. The competency/skills are imparted through supervised workups, assessment and practical work of carrying out various treatment techniques within clinical context. Depending on availability of resources at the parent center, the trainees may be posted for extra-institutional learning. Demonstration, clinical issue seminar, clinical seminar, clinical case conferences are required to impart the necessary knowledge and skills.

# Evaluation:

Theory - involving long and short essays, and practical/clinical - involving workup and assessment of clinical cases with viva voce.

# Syllabus:

Unit – I: Introduction: Definition, boundary, psychological and behavioral influences on health and illness, neuroendocrine, neurotransmitter and neuroimmune responses to stress, negative affectivity, behavioral patterns, and coping styles, psychophysiological models of disease, theoretical models of healthbehavior, scope and application of psychological principles in health, illnessand health care.

- Unit II: Central nervous system: Cognitive, personality, behavioral, emotional disturbances in major CNS diseases like cerebrovascular (stroke, vascular dementia etc.), developmental (cerebral palsy), degenerative (Parkinson's etc.), trauma (traumatic brain and spinal cord injury), convulsive (epilepsy), and infectious (AIDS dementia), assessment and methods for psychologicalintervention and rehabilitation with such patients.
- Unit III: Cardiovascular system: Psychosocial, personality, lifestyle, and health practice issues, psychobehavioral responses including coping with illness and functional loss in hypertension, MI, following CABG and other cardiovascular conditions, salient issues with regard to quality-of-life and well-being, empirically proven methods of psychological management of CVS diseases.
- Unit IV: Respiratory system: precipitants, such as emotional arousal, and other external stimuli, exacerbants such as anxiety and panic symptoms, effects, such as secondary gain, low self-esteem in asthma and other airway diseases, psychological, behavioral and biofeedback strategies as adjunct in the management.
- Unit V: Gastrointestinal system: Evaluation of psychological factors including personality characteristics and stress/coping style in functional GI disorders such as irritable bowel syndrome, inflammatory bowel disease, peptic ulcer disease, esophageal disorder etc., role of psychotherapy, behavior modification, cognitive restructuring, biofeedback and relaxation training.
- Unit VI: Genitourinary/renal/reproductive system: Psychosocial issues in male/female sexual dysfunctions, micturition/voiding problems including primary/secondary enuresis, end-stage renal disease, dialysis treatment, primary and secondary infertility, empirically validated psychological and behavioral interventions in these conditions.
- Unit VII: Dermatology: Role of stress and anxiety in psychodermatological conditions such as psoriasis, chronic urticaria, dermatitis, alopecia and the impact of these on self-esteem, body image and mood, role of psychological interventions such as relaxation, stress management, counseling and biofeedback strategies.
- Unit VIII: Oncology: Psychosocial issues associated with cancer quality of

life, denial,grief reaction to bodily changes, fear of treatment, side effects, abandonment, recurrence, resilience, assessment tools, and goals of interventions for individual and family, and therapy techniques.

- Unit IX: HIV/AIDS: Model of HIV disease service program in India, pre- and post-test counseling, psychosocial issues and their resolutions during HIV progress, psychological assessment and interventions in infected adults and children, and family members/caregivers, highly active anti-retroviral treatments (HAART), neuropsychological findings at different stages of infection, issues related to prevention/spreading awareness and interventions in at riskpopulations.
- Unit X: Pain: Physiological and psychological processes involved in pain experience andbehavior, assessment tools for acute and chronic pain intensity, behavior, and dysfunctions/disability related to pain, psychological interventions such as cognitive, behavioral, biofeedback and hypnotic therapies.
- Unit XI: Terminally ill: Medical, religious and spiritual definition of death and dying, psychology of dying and bereaved family, strategies of breaking bad news, bereavement and grief counseling, management of pain and other physical symptoms associated with end-of-life distress in patients with cancer,AIDS, and other terminal illness, professional issues related to working in hospice including working through one's own death anxiety, euthanasia – types, arguments for and against.
- Unit XII: Other general clinical conditions: Application of psychological techniques and their rationale in the clinical care of patients in general medical settings wherepsychological services appears to affect the outcome of medical managementpositively, for example in diabetes, sleep disorders, obesity, dental anxiety, burns injury, pre- and post-surgery, preparing for amputation, evaluation of organ donors/recipient, pre- and post-transplantation, organ replacement, hemophiliacs, sensory impairment, rheumatic diseases, abnormal illness behavior, health anxiety etc.

Unit – XIII: Contemporary Issues: Research and developments in health psychology, psychophysiology, psychoneuroimmunology, psychobiology, sociobiology and their implications, and effects of psychotherapy on the biology of brain.

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