**OVERALL EDUCATIONAL GOAL OF ELECTIVE**

The overall aim of the elective is to advance the medical narrative through the use of film. Through plot summary and character analysis, participating students will appreciate salient teaching points in the field of psychiatry.

**OBJECTIVES**

By participation in our elective, the following core competencies will be addressed:

I. Patient care – Participating students will appreciate the use of techniques which foster effective communication, including the importance of family dynamics and interacting effectively with others.

II. Medical knowledge – Participating students will enhance their knowledge in the field of psychiatry.

III. Practice-based learning and improvement – Participating student will demonstrate self-directed learning by preparing for the interactive didactic.

IV. Interpersonal and communication skills – Participating students will appreciate interpersonal and communication skills modeled in movies as well as demonstrate their ability to work effectively as a group audience via social media.

V. Professionalism – Participating students will engage in truthful interaction with peers, faculty and staff. They will demonstrate preparedness for meetings and will demonstrate attitudes & behaviors which convey respect for other students and faculty.
VI. Systems-based Practice – Participating students will address such core competencies as the use of effective communication strategies and participating effectively as a group audience.

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES**
This course will meet from 6:00-9:00 pm every other month from August – June. It will be held in one of the large lecture halls at RWJMS. After a brief introduction by the Course Director, a selected movie will be shown with a live Twitter feed during the film. Faculty, Residents & Students at Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School will have their tweets appear on the right side of the screen, creating a unique experience of watching a movie with real-time analysis by psychiatrists.

Medical students are expected to attend each session prepared to contribute to the live audience participation. There is an estimated 3-5 hours preparation time per movie. Students are encouraged to bring their personal electronic devices to tweet their thoughts as well as any questions to be addressed during the movie by faculty and/or house staff from the Department of Psychiatry.

**METHOD OF STUDENT EVALUATION**
As a non-credit elective, no formal evaluation will be required. Students are expected to meet the university’s professionalism standard (numeral V above). Since movies will not be repeated, students have the option of re-registering for the 1-credit elective in their M3 and M4 years.