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| FOURTH YEAR ELECTIVE TITLE GERIATRIC PSYCHIATRY | | COURSE NUMBER PSYC 900A | LOCATION UNIVERSITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE – COPSA EDISON |
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| BLOCKS AVAILABLE BY ARRANGEMENT | DURATION/WEEKS MIN 1; MAX 4 | HOURS PER WEEK 24 - 32 | STUDENTS MAX 1 |
| LECTURES/SEMINARS YES | OUTPATIENT YES | INPATIENT NO | HOUSESTAFF YES |
| NIGHT CALL NO | WEEKENDS NO | LAB NO | EXAM REQUIRED NO |

OVERALL EDUCATIONAL GOAL OF ELECTIVE

Students will gain experience in the differential diagnosis and treatment of the problems commonly afflicting the aged.

OBJECTIVES

- I. Patient care – Students will be involved in direct patient care of older adults with psychiatric and cognitive disturbances.
- II. Medical knowledge – Students are expected to display their medical knowledge pertaining to conducting a history and mental status examination, formulating a DSM-V differential diagnosis, developing a treatment plan, and prescribing psychopharmacology in the elderly population.
- III. Practice-based learning and improvement - Students are expected to review the clinical literature throughout the rotation and incorporate concepts into their clinical experience.
- IV. Interpersonal and communication skills – Students will develop interpersonal and communication skills germane to working with families of patients with dementia.
- V. Professionalism – Students will be expected to demonstrate appropriate professional demeanor, ethics and respect for patients' confidentiality.
- VI. Systems-based Practice – Students will work with outside institutions pertaining to the continuity of care of the patients they follow. This will include communication with nursing homes.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES

Students will attend the Geriatric Psychiatry clinic with focus on Memory Disorders. Students will work directly with a geriatric psychiatrist and social workers.

METHOD OF STUDENT EVALUATION

The psychiatrist who directly supervises the student will complete an evaluation form at the end of the rotation.

ARE THERE ANY PREREQUISITES FOR THIS ELECTIVE? No

IS THIS ELECTIVE AVAILABLE TO THIRD YEAR MEDICAL STUDENTS AS WELL? Yes