

# Advanced Clinical Psychiatry

PS 250.99

## General Information

**COURSE CHAIR:** Waguieh William IsHak, MD, FAPA  
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**DURATION:** 3 weeks

Please contact the coordinator for additional information.

## Requirements

- Letter of Recommendation
- Personal Statement

## Description

This elective will provide medical students with a rich experience in the interface between medicine and psychiatry at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. Identification and treatment of psychiatric disorders due to general medical conditions, substance/medication induced psychiatric disorders. This elective is more suitable for medical students who are interested in strengthening their medico-psychiatric skills in a large general hospital setting. Medical students will be expected to review Consultation-Liaison articles for discussion. Students interested in research will have the opportunity to attend research activities related to Psychiatry-Medicine and Substance Use research projects and contribute to publications as a co-author.

## Course Objectives

1. Knowledge and understanding on the biopsychosocial model of disease.
2. Knowledge of specific disease processes and coping techniques demonstrated by patients.
3. Basic science program designed to provide a comprehensive understanding of clinical psychopharmacology.
4. The learning of detailed history taking and psychiatric evaluation of patients with organic disorders.
5. Knowledge of correct and appropriate consultation techniques.
6. Knowledge of the basic elements of supportive psychotherapy.
7. Knowledge of effective liaison relationship with the multidisciplinary health care team, as well as with family members and caregivers.
8. Knowledge of the doctor/patient relationship.
9. Knowledge of the theoretical aspects of psychosomatic disorders.
10. Knowledge of the basic approach to disposition and follow-up planning.
11. Participate in research activities including data interpretation, manuscript drafting and co-authorship.

## Student Experiences

### COMMON PROBLEMS/DISEASES

- Psychiatric Care of the Medically Ill
- Substance Use Disorders
- Psychiatric Care of Patients with Heart Disease
- Psychiatric Care of Cancer
- Psychiatric Emergencies
- Delirium/Dementia
- Impact of Medical Illness
- Psychiatric Care of Transplantation
- Psychiatric Care at End of Life
- Psychiatric Care of Serious Medical Illness

**INPATIENT:** 90%

**OUTPATIENT:** 10%

**CONSULTATION:** 90%

**PRIMARY CARE:** 10%

**CONSULTATION:** 100%

### CLOSE CONTACT WITH

- Full Time Faculty
- Clinical Faculty
- Fellows

