
COURSE DESCRIPTION

This survey course presents an overview of common diseases observed and treated in biomedicine, including rheumatology, hematology, endocrinology and dermatology. The etiology, pathogenesis, differential diagnosis and first line of allopathic treatment will be presented and discussed with the emphasis on the clinical manifestations of the diseases.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

To help students:

- a- to be able to identify a medical condition in western point of view therefore knowing when or where to refer if necessary
- b- to develop familiarity with western treatment protocol, understanding certain lab tests
- c- to feel comfortable when performing physical exams
- d- to communicate more efficiently with patient
- e- to make a connection between western and eastern medicine

COURSE PREREQUISITES

Pathophysiology I-IV, Mid-Curriculum exam

REQUIRED TEXTS

The Merck manual 19th edition

RECOMMENDED TEXTS

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Out-of-Class Work

To successfully complete the program, students need to plan studying a minimum of 2 hours out-of-class for each academic in-class hour; and half an hour out-of-class for each hour of clinical training.

*Only 2 absences are permitted, more than 2 absences result in course failure: attending only half of the class period is considered 1 absence.

*attendance check is based on the quiz

*quiz : extra credit

*midterm 50%

*final 50%

GRADING SCALE: 100-90% A, 89-80% B, 79-70% C, 69% and below F

SPECIAL NOTES

Professionalism and Full and Prompt Attendance: To pass any course (separate from academic performance) all students must meet requirements for professionalism in coursework. Professionalism includes full and prompt

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attendance: Students who miss more than 2 class meetings in a 10-week course will earn an F in that course. Additionally, students who arrive more than 15 minutes to class or leave class before it ends will be marked tardy. Two tardies equal one absence. NOTE: Students who leave and return to class late from a break or leave during the class (especially if this is repeated) or who disrupt the class in other ways may be referred to the Academic Dean for professionalism.

CLASS ONE (The syllabus is subject to change at the discretion of the instructor.)
Approach to joint disorder, joint pain: RA, OA, osteoporosis

CLASS TWO
Joint pain: gout, infectious arthritis, osteomyelitis

CLASS THREE
Upper limb tendinitis, bursitis: rotator cuff injury

CLASS FOUR
DeQuervain's tendinitis, lateral & medial epicondylitis,
Trigger finger

CLASS FIVE
Lower limb pain: hip, knee, plantar fasciitis, heel pain,
Ankylosing spondylitis

CLASS SIX
Midterm
Fatigue: Fibromyalgia

CLASS SEVEN
Fatigue: thyroid disorders, diabetes

CLASS EIGHT
Abnormal vaginal discharge

CLASS NINE
Pelvic pain in gynecology: PID, endometriosis, fibroid, adenomyosis. ovarian cyst

CLASS TEN
An approach to fertility disorder

CLASS ELEVEN
Final Examination

REFERENCE MATERIAL

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3 Units
30 Hours

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