Study program: Special Education and Rehabilitation for Persons with Difficulties in Mental Development

Type and level of studies: Basic Academic Studies

Title of the subject: Early Treatment and Preschool Education of Children with Mental Development Disorder

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Course status: Obligatory

ECTS: 7

Prerequisites: No prerequisites

Aim: The objective of the course is to provide knowledge to students on risk factors in developmental period and skills for the realization of early intervention programs.

Outcomes: The student will be able to identify risk factors in developmental period, assess the level of psychomotor functioning of risk-children and apply adequate early stimulation techniques.

Content

Lectures: Early treatment - definition and goal; Aspects of prevention, detection, diagnosis, prognostication, classification and treatment of children with mental disabilities; Early treatment of children with mental disabilities (theoretical framework, areas of development: cognitive, communicational, motor, social-emotional, self-care); Development counseling and their function in the early treatment of children with mental disabilities; Pre-school education of children with mental disabilities (theoretical framework, goal and tasks, organization, preschool upbringing and education program - model A and model B); Main signs of optimal development and indication of developmental deviations; Observation and preparation of children with intellectual disabilities for educational work; Pedagogical profile of kindergarten child; Activity plan for a kindergarten child; Methods and tools for working with children with intellectual disabilities; Plays, toys and their function in the promotion of educational work; Preparing children for starting school.

Practicalexcercises: Students are trained to apply evaluation techniques of psychomotor development of a child, to write a pedagogical profile and plan of activities in kindergarten.

Literature

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Number of active classes per week: 6 Lectures: 3 Practical work: 3

Teaching methods: lectures, presentations, video shows, exercises, demonstrations, consultations

Evaluation of knowledge (maximum score 100)			
Pre-exam obligations	points	Final exam	points
active student participation	5	written exam	
practical exercises	10	oral exam	55
midterm(s)	30		
term paper(s)	-		