BIOETHICS

Degree in Occupational Therapy

Course 2022-23

Code: 804146

Module 1 Subject: Bioethics

Type of course: Basic

Department: Public and Maternal-Child Health

Credits: 6 ECTS

Course: First year

Period of study: Second four-month period

TEACHING STAFF

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION

This course studies the ethical and value aspects of Occupational Therapy. It provides elements of judgment that allow to face the problems in a critical and rational way. Promotes the ability to realize the conflicts of values and ethical dilemmas that professional practice involves. Promotes the ability to argue and justify ethically the decisions to be taken. Introduces the values and professional attitudes necessary for the best practice of Occupational Therapy.

COMPETENCIES

These are those corresponding to the Module and Subject to which this course belongs.

General Competences

CG.01.

CG.04.

CG.05.

CG.07.

CG.18.

Specific Competences

CE.M1.6

CE.M2.1

CE.M2.11

CE.M2.21

CE.M2.23

CE.M2.4

CE.M2.9

CE.M4.2

OBJECTIVES

- 1. To increase sensitivity to the ethical and value aspects of the social and health professions in today's world.
- 2. To provide elements of judgment that allow to face the problems in a critical and rational way.
- 3. To improve the capacity to become aware of the conflicts of values and ethical dilemmas that professional practice entails.
- 4. To enhance the ability to argue and justify ethically the decisions to be taken.
- 5. To introduce the values and professional attitudes necessary for the best practice of Occupational Therapy.

CONTENTS

- Values and ethics. Moral experience. Characteristics of the different ethics.
- History of bioethics.
- Foundations and methods of bioethics.
- The moral decision-making process.
- Ethics of the clinical relationship.
- The situation of dependency and autonomy.
- Informed consent.

- The health care provider, the patient, society.
- Ethical problems at the end of life.
- Ethical problems at the beginning of life.
- General ethical problems of biomedical research and treatments.

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

Practical classes

Analysis of practical cases and elaboration of a portfolio of analyzed cases.

Directed research work on a specific topic.

Theoretical Classes

- Lectures (exposition of basic topics and orientation for the orientation for the search of complementary information by the student).
- Complementary documentation in the Virtual Campus.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

Ordinary convocation

- The course will be evaluated by means of a written exam on the dates scheduled by the Faculty. The exam grade will represent 80% of the final grade. The exam will be a single correct answer test. In order to pass the course it is an indispensable requisite to obtain a grade ≥5.
- The remaining 20% will be graded through the evaluation of the activities that will be carried out during the course.
- Attendance to the practical classes and seminars is a mandatory requirement to pass the course.

Extraordinary convocation

- It will consist of a theoretical exam with a single correct answer, which has a value of 80%. The exam is passed with a grade ≥5. To undertake this exam it is required to have passed all the activities corresponding to the continuous evaluation, as well as the elaboration of an additional work to be agreed with the teacher in charge.

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