# **COGNITIVE PROCESSES**

# **Degree in Occupational Therapy**

Academic year 2022-23

Code: 804142 Type of subject: Basic Course: Second Semester: First Department: Experimental Psychology, Cognitive Processes and Logopedic Credits: 6 ECTS

# **TEACHING STAFF**

## COMPETENCIES

Competencies corresponding to the module and subject matter are as follows **General Competencies** 

- CG.04.
- CG.05.
- CG.06.
- CG.07.
- CG.08.
- CG.17.
- CG.18.
- CG.22.
- CG.25.

## **Specific Competencies**

- CE.M1.3.
- CE.M2.13.-
- CE.M2.14.-
- CE.M2.16.-
- CE.M2.17.-
- CE.M2.2.-
- CE.M2.21.-
- CE.M2.24.-
- CE.M2.3.-
- CE.M2.9.-
- CE.M4.2.-

# **OBJECTIVES**

- To introduce students to the basic theoretical and practical knowledge of human behaviour through thestudy of cognitive processes.
- To provide students with the fundamental knowledgeand contents of cognitive psychology, the knowledgeof cognitive processes and the importance derived from their application in Occupational Therapy.
- To promote an understanding and knowledge of the main cognitive processes, as well as understandingtheir historical background and current study techniques.
- To develop competences that enable students tounderstand and apply knowledge related to the application of general psychology.
- To recognise the main cognitive processes investigated by scientific psychology.

# PROGRAM

## THEORETICAL PROGRAM

## **Block I. Cognitive processes**

- Cognition.
- Main areas of cognition.
- Cognitive processes.

## **Block II. Perception**

- Sensory modalities.
- Development of perception.
- The perceptual process.
- Thresholds of perception.
- Perceptual organisation.
- Perceptual illusions.
- Practical applications.

## **Block III. Attention**

- Historical-conceptual overview of the study of attention.
- Automatic processes and controlled processes.
- Study of attention.
- Determinants of care.
- Dimensions of care.
- Types of care.
- Experimental paradigms in the study of attention.
- Practical applications.

## **Block IV. Memory**

- Historical-conceptual overview of the study ofmemory.
- Memory structures and processes.
- Sensory memories.
- Short-term memory and working memory.
- Long-term memory: declarative and procedural.
- Levels of information processing.
- Recovery processes: recall and recognition.
- Theories of forgetting.
- How to improve memory.
- Practical applications.

#### Block V. Language and communication

- Theoretical models of linguistic behaviour.
- Language acquisition and development.
- Comprehension and production processes.
- Non-verbal communication.
- Practical applications.

#### **Block VI. Thinking**

- Concepts and categories: the organisation of knowledge.
- Deductive and inductive reasoning.
- Problem solving and decision making.
- Executive functions.
- Practical applications.

#### PRACTICAL PROGRAM

**Objectives:** the practical classes focus on carrying outactivities related to the different aspects of the programme, familiarising students with the cognitive processes studied with special emphasis on the application from Occupational Therapy.

Group work will be elaborated and exposed on the different cognitive processes developed in the theoretical classes.

- 1. Attention.
- 2. Perception.
- 3. Memory.

## **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

The final grade for the course will be obtained based on the knowledge demonstrated in an exam or objective test at the end of the term, which will be comprised of all the subjects covered in the course, both theoretical and practical.

The correction of said test will be: correct answers-errors / number of alternatives -1.

A continuous evaluation of the subject will be carried out and the completion of the proposed works, activities developed in practical classes and student presentations will be considered. Compliance with the performance of such activities will be mandatory.

In accordance with the provisions of article 5 of Real Decreto 1125/2003, the results obtained by the student will be graded based on the numerical scale from 0 to 10, with expression of one decimal

By agreement of the Quality Commission, In the event of a voluntary or involuntary violation of the norms for the completion of a particular examination, your examination will not be marked. The student will have the opportunity to complete an oral examination to determine his or her knowledge of the material covered for that exam. If the infraction was voluntary this will be considered a serious ethical violation. This incident will be reported to the Inspection. Services for their evaluation and any disciplinary measures they deem necessary.

#### **BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY**

Some brief bibliographical references are included here that collect some of the main areas and methodology of Psychology. They will be complemented with the texts and bibliography provided in the classes, and available on the Virtual Campus.

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