#### REQUIREMENTS

# **Semmelweis University Faculty of Dentistry**

Name of the course: Medical sociology for dentistry

Credit value: 1

Lessons (in hours): 28 lectures: 12 practicals: 16 seminars:

Type of the course: compulsory obligatory elective elective

Frequency of announcement (per semester or year): Once

Academic year: First year II term

Subject code<sup>1</sup>: FOKVMAG235\_1A

Lecturer of the course: ): Prof. Dr. József Kovács

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Date of habilitation and reference number: 2006.V.26. (231)

# The goals of the course in point of view of the education:

The aim of this course is to help students realise that social factors have a considerable influence on oral/dental health and dentistry. Social, economic and cultural factors have a great effect on the dentist-patient relationship, the way people make sense of their symptoms and seek dental help, their oral/dental health related behaviour as well as on the aetiology of oral and dental conditions.

By understanding how different societies are structured and organised and how the categories people belong to (gender, ethnicity, occupation, educational level, financial situation to name but a few) shape all aspects of their lives and opportunities, our hope is that students will better comprehend the social reality influencing the dental health status of people and the practice of dentistry for dentists

# Location of the course (address of lecture hall, seminar room etc.):

Nagyvárad téri Elméleti Tömb, 1089 Budapest Nagyvárad tér 4.

Elméleti Orvostudományi Központ 1094 Budapest Tűzoltó utca 37-47

FOOC, 1088 Budapest, Szentkirályi u. 47.

# Competences acquired by completion of the course:

- Helping students acquire familiarity with the social environment which is necessary before meeting patients for the first time and all the way through the process of dental work.
- Enabling students to understand the social and cultural factors that influence the oral health and illness related decisions patients make.
- Sensitising students to the social determinants of health and illness behaviour through analysing
- Assisting students in comprehending the social and cultural aspects of systems of dental health care provision
- Enhancing the students' ability to plan and carry out research and function in small teams as part of the research work undertaken as part of the course

# Pre-study requirements and prerequisites of course registration and completion:

none

#### Number of students required for announcement of course (min., max.):

Method of course registration: Neptun

# **Detailed course/lecture description<sup>2</sup>:** (to facilitate credit recognition in other institutions)

- 1. Introduction to sociology, basic concepts and principles. (Practice)
- **2.** General health and oral health status through history (lecture)
- 3. Social determinants of oral health and oral health related behaviour. (lecture)
- **4.** Intercultural dentistry (lecture)
- **5.** Patient expectations regarding dentistry: the theory and practice of dental patient satisfaction studies. (lecture)
- **6.** Socio-cultural aspects of pain (lecture)
- 7. The profession of dentistry, dentist patient relationship (Lecture)
- **8.** Introduction to practicals. Project work discussion (practice)
- **9.** Social inequality and health inequality (practice)
- **10.** Healthcare systems workshop (practice)
- 11. 21st century dentistry technological and socio-cultural changes (practice)
- 12. Dental help seeking behaviour, illness behaviour (practice)
- 13. Medicalisation in dentistry, cosmetic dentistry (practice)
- **14.** Project reports (practice)

# Courses (obligatory and elective) which in part or entirely overlap the topics of above course:

Public Health

The Basics of Digital Healthcare

# Special academic work required for completion of the course<sup>3</sup>:

Project work done in the practicals

# Attendance on practices and lectures, replacement in case of missed sessions:

75% of practicals must be attended. One practical absence can be made up by undertaking an extra task set by the practical leader or by participating in the practical with another group

# Consequences of absence from sessions and exams:

No signature is given if 75% of the practicals is not attended, the project work is not done or the exam is not taken and passed.

# Method of checking acquired knowledge during the study period<sup>4</sup>:

Completion of project work is required for getting a signature. The project work is graded and makes up 40% of the final grade.

# Requirements of an accepted semester (signature of the lecturer):

Completion of project work and 75% practical attendance is required for getting a signature

#### **Type of the exam:**

written semi-final in the examination period (60% of the final grade)

# Requirements of the exam<sup>5</sup>:

The written exam will consist of multiple choice questions and an essay type case analysis where students are required to understand, explain and apply to the given case concepts and knowledge acquired in the course.

In order to undertake the exam successfully, students must know the material made available to them on the departmental home page as well as the textbook.

The material covered in the exam:

21st century dentistry technological and socio-cultural changes

Dental help seeking behaviour

Intercultural aspects of dentistry

Medicalisation in dentistry, cosmetic dentistry

Patient expectations regarding dentistry

Social determinants of oral health and oral health related behaviour

Social inequalities and inequalities in dental health

Socio-cultural aspects of pain

Systems of dental health care provision

The profession of dentistry

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40% - project work

60% -written semi-final

# Grades:

0-50 points - 1

51-60 points -2

61-74 points -3

75-84 points -4

85 points and over 5

# **Exam registration:**

Neptun

# **Rules of repeating exams:**

As specified by the Study and Exam Regulations

# List of textbooks, lecture notes and recommended textbooks:

All lecture notes and slides are made available on Moodle (<a href="https://itc.semmelweis.hu/moodle/">https://itc.semmelweis.hu/moodle/</a>) textbook: Graham Scrambler (ed) Sociology as Applied to Health and Medicine, Palgrave Macmillan 2018

Signature of course lecturer:
Signature of head of department:
Date of submission:
Opinion of OKB:
Notes from the Dean's Office:
Signature of Dean:

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  Filled out by the Dean's Office following approval  $^2$  Detailed and numbered for each week of theoretical and practical lessons one by one, indicating the names of lecturers and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Eg. field practice, medical chart analysis, survey conducting, etc.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Eg. homework, report, midterm exam etc. Topics, dates, method of retake and replacement. <sup>5</sup> List of topics in case of theoretical exam, thematic and method in case of practical exam.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Method of inclusion of theoretical and practical exams. Method of inclusion of midterm assessments.