

General Information	
Academic subject	Assessment procedures for child development and interventions to promote positive parenting
Degree course	Master Degree in Clinical Psychology
Curriculum	---
ECTS credits	12
Compulsory attendance	No
Language	Italian

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ECTS credits details	12		
Basic teaching activities	80 hours of frontal lessons and practical exercises		

Class schedule	
Period	Semestre I October 2017
Year	2017 - 2018
Type of class	Lecture- workshops

Time management	
Hours measured	60 minutes
In-class study hours	80
Out-of-class study hours	220

Academic calendar	
Class begins	Beginning of October 2017
Class ends	End of January 2018

Syllabus	
Prerequisite requirements	
Expected learning outcomes (according to Dublin Descriptors)	<p>Knowledge and understanding of the main procedures and instruments to assess child's cognitive, neuropsychological, communicative, social, emotional and affective development.</p> <p>Applying knowledge and understanding: 1. ability to read and interpret the protocols of the main instruments for the child's psychological assessment; 2. Ability to use during simulated experiences in the classroom, the main techniques for the child's psychological assessment and intervention procedures to promote positive parenting.</p> <p>Making informed judgements and choices: 1. capacity to observe and assess children's and caregivers' behaviours in daily contexts; 2. Capacity to project and implement an intervention protocol to support parenting according to the child's and caregiver's needs.</p> <p>Communicating knowledge and understanding: 1. Expertise in using the subject's specialized language.</p> <p>Capacities to continue learning: 1. Ability to project, elaborate, conduct and communicate an assessment procedure of child's</p>

	psychological functioning; 2. Capacity to project an intervention to support parenting and test its efficacy.
Contents	<p>The first part of the course will be devoted to the description of the basics of child observation methodologies and of the main procedures and instruments to assess child's psychological functioning in the following domains: cognitive, neuro-psychological, communicative, affective, socio-emotional. The following instruments/procedures will be analyzed during frontal lessons and practical experiences:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -assessment procedures during the neonatal age and infancy; -Intelligence scales (Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children-IV); - the child's neuropsychological assessment; the assessment of linguistic skills; - temperamental questionnaires; -the assessment of the quality of caregiver – child attachment relationship with a specific focus on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strange Situation Procedure for infant's attachment - Attachment Q-sort for child's attachment security to the caregiver and professional caregiver - Adult Attachment Interview for the caregiver's attachment models - Emotional Availability Scales for the quality of caregiver – child interaction -The assessment of child's psychological wellbeing, emotional competence and functioning in the school context, with a specific focus on sociometric techniques for child's social status, the Child Behavior Checklist (CBCL) and Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire (SDQ) for child's emotional and behavioral problems. <p>Following the description of these assessment procedures, the diagnostic category of the neurodevelopmental disorders will be introduced and the main instruments for the diagnosis of ASD, ADHD and Learning Disabilities will be described.</p> <p>The second part of the course will be devoted to the description of the functions related to a healthy parenting, of the procedures for their assessment and of the main evidence – based protocols to promote positive parenting. The following protocols will be describes in detail:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Videofeedback to Promote Positive Parenting - Circle of Security - Parent Training - Interventions to support foster care
Course program	
Bibliography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Bonichini. S. (2017). <i>La valutazione psicologica dello sviluppo. Metodi e strumenti</i>. Roma: Carocci ➤ D'Odorico L. e Cassibba R. (2001). <i>Osservare per educare</i>. Roma: Carocci. ➤ Cassibba e Elia L.(2007). <i>L'affidamento familiare. Dalla valutazione all'intervento</i>. Roma: Carocci Faber. ➤ Lionetti F. e Lambruschi F. (2016). <i>La genitorialità. Strumenti di valutazione e interventi di sostegno</i>. Roma: Carocci Editore (chapter 2 is excluded).
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Teaching methods	Frontal lessons, practical exercises in the classroom; discussion of videos
Assessment methods	Written exam, with open questions
Further information	For those attending the lessons, it will be possible to divide the exam in two intermediate exams