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POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN PSYCHO-ONCOLOGY (PGDPO) Syllabus

Duration: 1 year Total Credits: 40

Semester I

Paper	Name of Paper	Credits 4	
Paper I	Introduction to Psycho Oncology		
Paper II	Biology of Cancer	4	
Paper III	Psycho Oncology: Theory and Applications	4	
Paper IV	Psychological Impact of Cancer	4	
Paper V	Psychology Assessments (Practical)	4	

Semester II

Paper I	Counselling Skills and Techniques	4			
Paper II	Paper II Onco-Genetic Counselling: Skills and Issues				
Paper III	Psychotherapeutic Interventions				
Paper IV	Psycho-social Rehabilitation in Cancer	4			
Paper V	Field Work -II (400 Clinical hours practicum)	4			

Semester I

Paper I: Introduction to Psycho Oncology	(4 credits)
• Unit 1: Historical perspectives of Cancer	
• Unit 2: Historical perspectives of Psycho Oncology	
 Unit 3: Contemporary issues in Psycho-oncology 	
• Unit 4: Overview of the hallmarks of cancer	
Paper II: Biology of Cancer	(4 credits)
Unit 1: Cancer definition	
• Unit 2: Morphology of cell	
Unit 3: Carcinogenesis	
• Unit 4: Cancer Classification systems	
Paper III: Psycho Oncology: Theory and Applications	(4 credits)
• Unit 1: Theories of illness	
• Unit 2: Health behaviour	
• Unit 3: Illness behaviour	
• Unit 4: Current trends in Psycho Oncology	
Paper IV: Psychological Impact of Cancer	(4 credits)
• Unit 1: Impact of Cancer on patient	
 Unit 2: Impact of Cancer on Family and caregivers 	
• Unit 3: Mental health disorders in Cancer patients	
• Unit 4: Interpersonal problems in Cancer	
Paper V: Psychology Assessments (Practical)	(4 credits)
Teaching and Training of Psychological Assessments used in day to day of	linical

practice.

<u>Semester II</u>

Paper I: Psychological interventions: Skills and Techniques	(4 credits)
• Unit 1: Counselling skills and techniques used with cancer patients.	
• Unit 2: Psychotherapies in Cancer illness	
• Unit 3: Crisis intervention	
• Unit 4: Group counselling and interventions	
Paper II: Onco-Genetic Counselling: Skills and Issues	(4 credits)
• Unit 1: Concepts of Genetics	
Unit 2: Genetic Mutations	
• Unit 3: Skills in genetics counselling	
• Unit 4: Ethical challenges in Genetic Counselling	
Paper III: Paediatric Counselling	(4 credits)
• Unit 1: Concepts of Paediatric Counselling	
• Unit 2: Development issues	
• Unit 3: Skills in Paediatric Counselling	
• Unit 4: Ethical challenges in Paediatric Counselling	
Paper IV: Psychological Rehabilitation in Cancer	(4 credits)
Unit 1: Concepts and components of Rehabilitation	
Unit 2: Primary, secondary and tertiary care	
Unit 3: Community Based Rehabilitation	
• Unit 4: Hospice, curative care, palliative care in Cancer illness	
Paper V: Field Work -II (400 Clinical hours practicum)	(4 credits)
• 10 case reports submission based on the clinical postings.	
• 1 Case Presentation followed by Viva-voce	
Pedagogy for Course Delivery:	

• Lectures, presentations, group discussions, and case studies

Theory Assessment (L&T):

Continuous Asses	End Term			
Component (Drop down)	Home Assignment	Class Presentation	Field Work/ Clinical posting	Examination
Weightage (%)	10%	10%	10%	70%

Text Books And Reference Books:

- Psycho-Oncology by Jimmie C. Holland (Editor), William Breitbart (Editor), Paul B.
 Jacobsen (Editor), by Oxford University Press, USA
- Psycho-Oncology Editors: Goerling, Ute (Ed.) by Springer
- Clinical Communication in Medicine. (2016). Papageorgiou, A., Kidd, J., Brown, J., &
 Noble, L (Eds) United Kingdom: Wiley.
- Counselling and Communication Skills for Medical and Health Practitioners.(1998).
 Bayne, R., Nicolson, P., & Horton, I (Eds). United Kingdom, Wiley.
- Sadock, B. J. (2007). Kaplan & Sadock's synopsis of psychiatry: behavioral sciences/clinical psychiatry.
- The Biology of Cancer, 2nd Edition; Author(s): Robert A. Weinberg; ISBN: 9780815342205

Annual Fee: Rs 80000/-

^{*}Registration, Examination Fee to be submitted as per University norms.