Location:

RFUCMS is an integral part of a large academic complex (University College London) and is close to other important postgraduate institutions. Teaching is provided by leading experts in clinical, scientific and allied disciplines. Close to main bus routes, underground stations (Goodge Street, Warren Street, Euston Square, Great Portland Street and Oxford Circus), and also mainline railway stations (Euston, St Pancras and Kings Cross), the central location of this course makes it ideal for trainees from the Greater London area.

Cost:

The course fees are £400.00 per semester. Applications will only be accepted on receipt of a fully completed registration form with accompanying cheque, or if a training scheme is paying directly, the signature and address of the person to whom the invoice should be sent. Early registration is advisable, as places are limited to 50 per semester.

For registration form, contact the Course Administrator:

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MRCPsych Courses

SEMESTER 1

September – December 2013

The MRCPsych Course is a half-day release course to help prepare trainees for their membership examinations. Two modular semesters are held for both Paper 1 - 2 and Paper 3 each year:

Paper 1 - 2 (Tuesdays, 2.30 pm – 5.00 pm)
September – December (Semester 1)

Paper 3 (Tuesdays, 2.30 pm – 5.00 pm)
September – December (Semester 1)

The Course:

This postgraduate course brings together leading national and international teachers and takes a fresh and critical approach to the essential themes in contemporary psychiatry. These themes are taught in an integrated modular approach and have been extensively restructured to incorporate critical appraisal, theme specific revision sessions and mock exams. This updated course delivers objectives as specified by the revised 2002 Royal College of Psychiatry syllabus.

Paper 1 - 2, which over the two semesters (one academic year) covers the essential academic material for the MRCPsych Paper 1 - 2 Examination. Semester 1 course, from September to December covers MRCPsych Paper 1 Examination. Semester 2 course, from March to June, covers MRCPsych Paper 2 Examination.

Paper 3, which over the two semesters (one academic year) covers the essential academic material for the MRCPsych Paper 3 Examination. Semester 1 - 2 course, from September to June covers MRCPsych Paper 3 Examination.

In general trainees take their time to do some learning and reading before sitting the MRCPsych Examination, that they may wish to do the papers in numerical order and one at a time (unless failures mean they are running very short of time).

Course Content:

Semester 1 Paper 1 - 2

Paper 1-2 Lectures cover:
Cognitive Assessment
Phenomenology and Mental State Examination 1
Psychological Process: Learning and Perception
Phenomenology and Mental State Examination 2
Phenomenology and Mental State Examination 3
Human Development
Neurological Examination
Service User Lead Approaches To Mental Health
Basic Psychological Treatment (CBT and Behavioural Therapy)
Psychological Process: Memory and Basic Personality Theory
Phenomenology and Mental State Examination 4
Basic Psychopharmacology
Philosophy and Ethics
Normal And Abnormal Ageing
Psychiatric Anthropology

Semester 1 Paper 3

Paper 3 Lectures cover:
Psychotherapy: Identification and Treatment of Personality Disorders
Addictions: Drug misuse
Social Psychiatry
Descriptive Psychopathology: normal personality
Forensic Psychiatry
Alzheimer's disease: genetics, pathology, aetiology and drug treatment
Psychotherapy: Family therapy and couples
Old Age Psychiatry: Epidemiology And Rarer Causes Of Dementia
Psychotherapy: Group Dynamics and Psychotherapy
Anxiety, Psychosomatic disorders
Addictions: alcohol misuse
Liaison psychiatry
Research Methods Health Economics
Treatment of eating disorders
Learning disability: Introduction to mental health problems in learning disability