

MA IN PSYCHOLOGY OF DEVELOPMENT
(TAUGHT IN BULGARIAN)

Brief presentation of the program: The program offers specialized theoretical background for the processes of mental development in normal and pathological conditions during childhood, adolescence, for the regularities in the dynamics of the emergence of new forms and structures in the whole psychic life of the child. The training in the program goes through courses on the structure of the human brain and the development of mental functions psych diagnostic courses in psychopathology and developmental disorders of cognitive development, mental disorders, as an active learning environment for development. Extracurricular learning modes include applied research seminars, conferences, internships, practice and coursework.

The program offers preparatory module for candidates from other educational areas.

Major and qualification:

Specialization: Psychology

Qualification: MA in developmental psychology

Preparatory module

PSYB002 Introduction to experimental research, 30h, 3 ECTS

PSYB004 Experimental Design, 30h, 3 ECTS

PSYB503 Memory and Learning, 30h, 3 ECTS

PSYB707 Development of thinking in child age, 30h, 3 ECTS

PSYM003 Statistics Part I, 30h, 3 ECTS

PSYM004 Statistics Part II, 30h, 3 ECTS

First year, First Semester

Basic courses

DEVM100 Emotional and behavioral development during childhood and adolescence, 30h, 3 ECTS

DEVM101 Brain development and mental function, 30h, 3 ECTS

DEVM102 Psychopathology of the development, 30h, 3 ECTS

DEVM104 Psychoanalytical Perspectives on the environment, internal and external world of the child, 30h, 3 ECTS

DEVM105 organizational context for the development of children and adolescents in schools and other institutions, 30h, 3 ECTS

DEVM106 Introduction to the theory and methods of counseling

DEVM107 Development of perceptual processes and executive functions under normal conditions and in contravention

Extracurricular credit courses

DEVM120 Internships: Psychodiagnostics preschoolers, 120h, 6 ECTS

DEVM122 Project: Standards for Early Childhood Development, 30h, 3 ECTS

DEVM123 Seminar: Newly emerging needs of children, 30h, 3 ECTS

PSYB795 Individual work: Stereotypes and prejudice, 30h, 3 ECTS

DEVM124 Project: Standardization of methodology for cognitive and language development, 30h, 3 ECTS

DEVM126 Individual work: Organizational context of development, 30h, 3 ECTS

DEVM322 Project: Study of school-age children, 60h, 3 ECTS

DEVM323 Individual work: Plan for work with a child with an individual program, 30h, 3 ECTS

First year, Second Semester

Basic courses

OSPM015 Motivation and attitudes towards labor, 30h, 3 ECTS

OSPM016 Negotiation, Conflict Resolution and Mediation, 30h, 3 ECTS

OSPM018 Training: theory, design and evaluation, 30h, 3 ECTS

OSPM019 Psychology of adulthood, 30h, 3 ECTS

OSPM020 Communication and change of mind, 30h, 3 ECTS

OSPM043 Psychology and Business Environment, 30h, 3 ECTS

OSPM044 Methods for individual diagnosis, 30h, 3 ECTS

Extracurricular credit courses

OSPM021 Practice: Negotiation and Conflict Resolution, 30h, 3 ECTS

OSPM022 Individual work: Styles of communication, 30h, 3 ECTS

OSPM023 Seminar: Contemporary issues in social psychology, 30h, 3 ECTS

OSPM024 Individual work: Diagnostics in the organization, 30h, 3 ECTS
OSPM026 Individual work: Workplace health: psychological aspects, 30h, 3 ECTS
OSPM034 Seminar: Design of empirical study for master's thesis, 30h, 3 ECTS
OSPM040 Practice: Training and education, 30h, 3 ECTS

Second year, Third Semester

Basic courses

DEVM108 Skills development through play and learning, 30h, 3 ECTS
DEVM202 Theories of the child of the world and conceptual change, 30h, 3 ECTS
DEVM203 Language development in childhood, 30h, 3 ECTS
DEVM204 Experimental practice in cognitive development during childhood, 30h, 3 ECTS
DEVM205 Disorders of cognitive development, mental disorders, 30h, 3 ECTS
DEVM206 Marital counseling, 30h, 3 ECTS
DEVM305 Data Analysis of Psychological Research, 30h, 3 ECTS

Extracurricular credit courses

DEVM220 Internships: Psychodiagnostics in school age, 30h, 3 ECTS
DEVM221 Individual work: Perceptions in early childhood, 30h, 3 ECTS
DEVM222 Project: Standards for early childhood development - cognitive development, 30h, 3 ECTS
DEVM223 Seminar: Diagnostic plan, 60h, 6 ECTS
DEVM226 Individual work: Design for experiment in cognitive development, 30h, 3 ECTS