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Psychiatry Blueprint

Academic Year 2022 - 2023

Fourth year behavioral sciences Examination Blueprint

**Purpose of the exam**

The exam is designed to evaluate the knowledge, reasoning, and clinical judgment skills expected of the certified junior doctor in the broad domain of behavioral sciences. Students are required to recognize determinants of human behavior, assimilate knowledge related to psychological development and higher mental functions and explain individual variation in terms of intelligence and personality and then apply these concepts into doctor patient relationship in their future medical practice within the paradigm of patient centered approach.

**Exam content**

Exam content is determined by a pre-established blueprint, or table of specifications. The blueprint is developed by Department of Medicine – College of Medicine – Al-Nahrain University and is reviewed annually and updated as needed for currency.

**Exam format**

1. Midterm exam with 30 items of single best answer questions focusing on knowledge, application and problem solving for material of first six learning hours with five questions for each learning hour summing up to 1 mark for each item
2. Final exam Total mark is 70 and distributed as the following
3. Fifty single best questions covering all lecture topics and are distributed according to the underlying table with the relevant distribution of numbers of items according to frequency and impact of learned topic and specification of percentages of basic sciences, investigations, treatment and knowledge, application and problem solving. each item will sum up one mark of total exam
4. Ten short answer questions focusing on applications and problem solving summing up to 20 marks of exam

