Instructor and Contact Information

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Course Description

In this seminar style course, health care providers and students present interesting clinical genetic cases for discussion.

Learning Objectives

At the end of the course, each student will:

- Recognize a variety of genetic conditions commonly seen in clinical practice
- Understand some of the clinical tests used to diagnose genetic disorders
- Identify genetic counseling concerns relevant to families who are living with genetic disorders
- Be familiar with different approaches to presenting clinical cases

Required Texts

None

Student Performance Evaluation and Grading

Grading is based on attendance. A sign-in sheet is available to document attendance. An S (satisfactory) grade is given when no more than 3 seminars are missed. A NC (no credit) grade is given when there are 3 or more unexcused absents.

Assignments

Second year genetic counseling students are required to present a clinical case of their choice.
CourseWeb/BlackBoard Instruction

This class utilizes CourseWeb for the class schedule. The schedule is also posted to the Department of Human Genetics website: https://www.publichealth.pitt.edu/human-genetics/research-and-practice/journal-clubs-and-seminars/clinical-genetics-case-conference

Academic Integrity

All students are expected to adhere to the school’s standards of academic honesty. Any work submitted by a student for evaluation must represent his/her own intellectual contribution and efforts. The Graduate School of Public Health’s policy on academic integrity, approved by EPCC on 10/14/08, which is based on the University policy, is available online in the Pitt Public Health Academic Handbook (www.publichealth.pitt.edu/home/academics/academic-requirements). The policy includes obligations for faculty and students, procedures for adjudicating violations, and other critical information. Please take the time to read this policy.

Students committing acts of academic dishonesty, including plagiarism, unauthorized collaboration on assignments, cheating on exams, misrepresentation of data, and facilitating dishonesty by others, will receive sanctions appropriate to the violation(s) committed. Sanctions include, but are not limited to, reduction of a grade for an assignment or a course, failure of a course, and dismissal from the school.

All student violations of academic integrity must be documented by the appropriate faculty member; this documentation will be kept in a confidential student file maintained by the Office of Student Affairs. If a sanction for a violation is agreed upon by the student and instructor, the record of this agreement will be expunged from the student file upon the student’s graduation. If the case is referred to the Pitt Public Health Academic Integrity Hearing Board, a record will remain in the student’s permanent file.

Disability Services

If you have any disability for which you may require accommodation, you are encouraged to notify both your instructor and the Office of Disability Resources and Services, 140 William Pitt Union (Voice or TTD 412-648-7890) as early as possible in the term.

A comprehensive description of the services of that office can be obtained at www.drs.pitt.edu.

Diversity Statement

This course covers multi-dimensional academic topics. You are expected to share your views and be respectful of others’ opinions. This will ensure a learning environment that values diverse experiences and expertise, which will facilitate Pitt Public Health's collaborative approach to solving problems.

Schedule of Sessions

All meetings are held on Thursdays from Noon to 1:00 PM and are located at Magee Womens Hospital (MWH)

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2. Bryony Lynch  
3. Michelle Morrow, PhD |
| September 22nd  | MWH-0 Level Auditorium | 1. Anna Zakas  
2. Dr. Nick Barasach  
3. Kelly Knickelbein, MS, CGC |
| September 29th | NO SESSION – NSGC |  
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| October 6th   | MWH-0 Level Auditorium | 1. Sara Blankenship  
2. Brooke Hornak  
3. Dr. Mahmoud Aarabi (PCL) |
| October 13th  | MWH-0 Level Auditorium | 1. Dr. Soudiane El Hallani  
2. Emily Griffenkranz |
| October 20th  | NO SESSION-Pitt Science 2016 and ASHG |  
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| October 27th  | MWH-0 Level Auditorium | 1. Andrew McCarty, MSGC  
2. Christine Munro  
3. Beth Dudley, MS, CGC |
| November 3rd  | MWH-0 Level Auditorium | 1. Emily James, MS, CGC  
2. Sam Wesoly |
| November 10th | NO SESSION – COMP EXAM FOR SECOND YEAR STUDENTS |  
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| November 17th | MWH-0 Level Auditorium | 1. Emily Massiello  
2. Erin O’Rourke, MS, CGC  
3. Dr. Devereux Saller |
| November 24th | NO SESSION – THANKSGIVING BREAK |  
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| December 1st  | MWH-0 Level Auditorium | 1. Dr. Sarah Booker Hugar  
2. Dr. Shweta Bhavsar  
3. Kavitha Kolla |