

**SPECIAL ABILITIES AND TALENTS - PATTERNS OF COGNITIVE PROCESSES IN
PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES**

PROGRAMME

Week 1

30.06.2014

10.00 – 11.30 Language and disability, Marieta Tsvetkova, PhD
11.45 – 13.15 The role of software's and telemedical solutions in assessment, rehabilitation and therapy in developmental disorder, assist. prof. Polina Mihova, PhD, assist. prof. Iliya Pendzhurov, PhD
Lunch
14.15 – 15.45 Information systems, communication technologies and mobile applications, assisting development disorders, assist. prof. Iliya Pendzhurov, PhD, assist. prof. Polina Mihova, PhD
16.00 – 17.30 Discussions

01.07.2014

10.00 – 11.30 Individual Casework with Children with Disabilities- Attachment and Psycho-dynamic Theory Perspective, assist. prof. Galina Markova, PhD
11.45 – 13.15 Individual Casework with Children with Disabilities- Attachment and Psycho-dynamic Theory Perspective - workshop, assist. prof. Galina Markova, PhD
Lunch
14.15 – 15.45 Attachment disorders and disabilities, prof. Ana Muntean, PhD
16.00 – 17.30 Discussions

02.07.2014

10.00 – 11.30 Creativity and Psychopathology, assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD
11.45 – 13.15 Emotions and communication skills in children with disabilities, prof. Ana Muntean, PhD
Lunch
14.15 – 15.45 Developmental disorders – cases, prof. Ana Muntean, PhD
16.00 – 17.30 Discussions

03.07.2014

10.00 – 11.30 Groups and Group Processes: Psychotherapeutic Discourse and Contributions to the Personal Development of Individuals, assist. prof. Tzvetelina Iossifova
11.45 – 13.15 Groups: Phases of Group Development. Groups as a System. Large Groups. Society, assist. prof. Tzvetelina Iossifova
Lunch
14.15 – 15.45 Application of Artistic and Creative Means in Group Work with Children Deprived from Parental Care. Demonstration of a documentary, assist. prof. Tzvetelina Iossifova
16.00 – 17.30 Discussions

04.07.2014

10.00 – 11.30 The Roots of Modern Science: Plato to Newton, assoc. prof. Ivan Ivanov, PhD
11.45 – 13.15 Scientific Epistemology: Knowledge Grounded on Phenomena, assoc. prof. Ivan Ivanov, PhD
Lunch
14.15 – 15.45 Limitations of Biological Knowledge, assoc. prof. Ivan Ivanov, PhD
16.00 – 17.30 Discussions

Week 2

07.07.2014

10.00 – 11.30 Figurative language comprehension in typical development – prof. Valentin Vulchanov, PhD
11.45 – 13.15 Learning difficulties, prof. Mila Vulchanova, PhD
Lunch
14.15 – 15.45 Language-related disorders, prof. Mila Vulchanova, PhD
16.00 – 17.30 Discussions

08.07.2014

10.00 – 11.30 Language profiles in ASD, prof. Mila Vulchanova
11.45 – 13.15 Aspects of language and communication in deficit populations beyond grammar, prof. Valentin Vulchanov, PhD
Lunch
14.15 – 15.45 Figurative language comprehension in developmental disorders (Autism and Dyslexia), prof. Valentin Vulchanov, PhD
16.00 – 17.30 Discussions

09.07.2014

10.00 – 11.30 Creativity and Autism and ADHD, assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD
11.45 – 13.15 Assessment of creativity, assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD
Lunch
14.15 – 15.45 Assessment of creativity - workshop, assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD
16.00 – 17.30 Discussions

10.03.2014

10.00 – 11.30 Splinters of genius: Linguistically-talented Asperger children as case studies, prof. Mila Vulchanova, PhD
11.45 – 13.15 Language tests. Typical vs. atypical language development: how can we tell? prof. Mila Vulchanova, PhD & prof. Valentin Vulchanov, PhD
Lunch
14.15 – 15.45 Research in Theory-of-Mind and Autism, prof. David Saldana, PhD
16.00 – 17.30 Discussions

11.07.2014

10.00 – 11.30 Weak Central Coherence, Executive Functions and Other Alternatives to the Mentalizing Deficit in Autism, prof. David Saldana, PhD
11.45 – 13.15 Early Signs in Autism: Research Methods and Current Results, prof. David Saldana, PhD
Lunch
14.15 – 15.45 Developmental disorders, cases – assoc. prof. Margarita Stankova, MD, PhD
16.00 – 17.30 Discussions