Objectives

The Psychiatric Interview Fall 2025

This two-hour lecture will:

- ✓ Provide evidence why all clinicians (no matter your future specialty) need to know how to treat and diagnose patients with mental health issues
- ✓ Show how mental and physical health are intertwined.
- ✓ Explain the role of a setting.
- ✓ Provide interviewing techniques to use or avoid.
- ✓ Explain in the role of empathy
- ✓ Discuss the significance of the therapeutic alliance
- ✓ Explain how to increase safety when assessing a patient
- ✓ Cover in detail the components of a Psychiatric Interview, and all parts of a Mental Status Examination.
- ✓ Will discuss the importance of confidentiality
- ✓ Will discuss tests easily administered to assess cognition.
 - The Mini-Mental State Exam (MMSE) and
 - The Montreal Cognitive Assessment (MOCA) and
 - The Draw A Clock test
- ✓ Explain role of Transference in patient care
- ✓ Explain role of Countertransference in patient care