

Ph.D. in “Life Course Research” – Psychological curriculum

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Title: Theory and Methods in developmental science

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Objectives

Some developmental topics and methods are highly relevant to understand processes of continuity and discontinuity across development.

The course aims to promote a better understanding of life course developmental psychology concepts and definitions such as: transition, growth, loss and resilience.

Specifically we will deepen some relevant concepts across life span like autonomy, plasticity, continuity, discontinuity, motivation, self regulation, SOC, resilience in relation to different ages and transitions across life.

Beside, the course aims to give students knowledges and competences to conduct basic empirical quantitative analysis (bivariate analysis, introduction to multivariate analysis).

Program

Wednesday 8th November

“Active and positive ageing”

Prof. Rantanen Taina - University of Jyväskylä

Monday 13th November afternoon:

"Theoretical perspectives in life span developmental psychology "

Prof. Menesini

Tuesday 14th morning and afternoon (via Laura, 48):

“Introduction to the Multivariate Analysis”

UNIFI – FORLILPSI VIRALAB– Prof. Nocentini & Dott. Enrico Imbimbo

Suggested lecture

“Life Span Theory in Developmental Psychology”

PAUL B. BALTES, ULMAN LINDENBERGER, and URSULA M. STAUDINGER

Chapter of Handbook of developmental psychology

Requirements

Knowledge of classical theories of developmental psychology