

Name of discipline	Special Issues of Differential Diagnosis in Rheumatology		
Type	Optional	Credits	1
Academic year	IV		Semester VIII
Number of hours	Course	10	Practice 10
	Seminar	-	Self-training 10
Component	Specialized		
Course holder	Professor Liliana Groppa, PhD		
Location	IMSP SCR "Timofei Moşneaga", 5th floor IMSP SCM "Sfânta Treime", 8th floor		
Conditionings and prerequisites of:	The discipline <i>Special issues of differential diagnosis in rheumatology</i> is the appropriate ground for integration and implementation of additional knowledge (diagnostic criteria, novel diagnostic and treatment methods) in clinical practice. Throughout this discipline, along with the study of etiology, pathogenesis, clinical picture, evolution, treatment and prophylaxis of rheumatic disease, the future specialist gains practical skills of patient examination and assessment of the test results.		
	Competences: basic digital (using the internet, documents editing, using word processor software, spreadsheet software program as well as presentation programs), communications skills and teamwork.		
Mission of the discipline	The discipline <i>Special issues of differential diagnosis in rheumatology</i> aim is to gain knowledge and develop necessary skills for diagnosis, treatment and social reinsertion of patients with rheumatic diseases.		
Overview of the topics	Differential diagnosis of diffuse connective tissue diseases (1 st part). Differential diagnosis of diffuse connective tissue diseases (2 nd part). Differential diagnosis of the articular syndrome in acute rheumatic fever. Differential diagnosis of ANCA-associated vasculitis. Differential diagnosis of periarteritis nodosa.		
Outcomes	Student education in a spirit of strictness of the medical act and understanding the dominant role of fundamental sciences for the given level, as well as their professional development. Gain of practical skills related to the correct execution of certain functional investigations, based on understanding not only the procedures, but the explored phenomena as well, together with the implied technical specifics. Theoretical knowledge and practical skills necessary to assimilate information and diagnose rheumatic diseases.		
Clinical skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taking the history of the patient with rheumatic diseases. • Physical examination of the musculoskeletal system. • Physical examination of the vertebral column. • Interpretation of laboratory results (immunological tests). • Interpretation of imaging tests (Xray, DXA, etc.) 		
Evaluation form	Exam		

