

**POLİS AKADEMİSİ BAŞKANLIĞI
ADLİ BİLİMLER ENSTİTÜSÜ**

Course Code	APİ-317
Name of the Course	Forensic Interview and Assessment
Required / Elective	Required
AKTS	7,5
Semester	Spring
Programme	ADLİ PSİKOLOJİ

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The concept of forensic interview is not limited to suspect interrogations, but encompasses a variety of applications from risk assessment of inmates and information gathering from victims, witnesses, suspects, and other individuals involved in forensic settings. This course focuses on various issues in relation to forensic interview and assessment with a specific focus on (i) the rapport building, (ii) eliciting information from memory, and (iii) assessing credibility. The module will highlight a range of theoretical paradigms that are relevant to interview process (e.g., interpersonal conflict management, motivation, affect, and decision making processes), and will provide students with a conceptual understanding of the ways in which the collection of information, through psychologically robust interviewing techniques.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Students will analyze the ways in which psychological perspectives can be applied to forensic interview process (e.g., rapport building and eliciting probative information), relating to decision making, the nature of expert evidence and the through-care and after-care of victims, witnesses and suspects of crime.

EVALUATION

TYPE	MARK BREAKDOWN
Annotated Bibliography 1	10
Annotated Bibliography 2	10
Annotated Bibliography 3	10
Annotated Bibliography 4	10
Annotated Bibliography 5	10
Final review paper	50
TOTAL	100%

COURSE PLAN

WEEK 1	Welcome! Introduction to forensic interview and assessment
WEEK 2	Historical perspectives on forensic interview and assessment
WEEK 3	Basic findings rapport building
WEEK 4	Contemporary research in rapport building
WEEK 5	Eliciting information
WEEK 6	Eliciting information
WEEK 7	Cognitive interview model
WEEK 8	Deception detection
WEEK 9	Deception detection
WEEK 10	Reid model (Behavioral Analysis Interview)
WEEK 11	PEACE model interview
WEEK 12	Selected Current Topics: Ethics
WEEK 13	Selected Current Topics: Ethics
WEEK 14	Best practices in forensic interviews

Forensic Interview and Assessment Annotated Bibliography Assignment Research Themes:

- (i) **Rapport Building,**
- (ii) **Eliciting information,**
- (iii) **Cognitive Interview Model,**
- (iv) **Deception Detection,**
- (v) **Best practices**