

# Department of Psychiatry

Instruction in psychiatry is given throughout the medical curriculum. Emphasis is on the teaching of psychiatry as a medical discipline, including the biological, social and psychological mechanisms and manifestations of psychiatric illness as well as psychological reactions to other illnesses. Psychiatric disorders are common and disabling illnesses. An explosion of knowledge resulting from research in neuroscience, genetics and epidemiology is leading to exciting advances in understanding and treating these disorders. Our department is heavily involved in this research, and our didactic curriculum integrates current clinical information with research advances to help students develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes needed to recognize these illnesses and to understand the basic principles of treatment.

## William Greenleaf Eliot Division of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry

The Division of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry (<http://wuchild.wustl.edu/>) offers a varied teaching program for medical students, residents in psychiatry, and fellows at St. Louis Children's Hospital and the 4444 Forest Park Child Psychiatry Clinic, which provides outpatient services to children with an array of psychiatric concerns. Trainees are assigned to various services, including the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (CAP) Clinic, the Pediatric Behavioral Health Unit at St. Louis Children's Hospital, and the CAP Consult services, where they participate in diagnostic evaluations and see patients in treatment, under the supervision of a fellow and the attending physician.

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