Otolaryngological teaching programme in the ENT Department for the 5-th year students of the Medical Faculty in Szczecin.

Training in Otolaryngology includes 60 hours / 20 h – seminar lectures and 40 h – practical classes / and is realised in 10-days programme in the ENT Dep. from 8 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Every day training consists of 2 h of the seminar lectures and 4 h of classes with devision of the students into a few smaller groups.

The main topics of the lectures are as follows:
- Pathogenesis of the inflammatory middle ear diseases.
- Hearing loss: classification, diagnosis, therapy.
- Vestibular system disorders: ethiology, diagnosis, therapy.
- Cancers in otolaryngology.
- Sore throat.
- Upper respiratory way obstruction, dyspnoea.
- Neck tumours – diagnosis and therapy.
- Nose and paranasal sinuses disorders.
- Allergy in otolaryngology.
- Injuries in ENT / mechanical, chemical, thermal /

The aim of the practical classes is to get acquainted with the basilar methods and procedures in the physical examination in otolaryngology and with the most common otolaryngological conditions in adults and children, their diagnosis and treatment. Special attention is payed to emergencies in otolaryngology and how to cope with them.

In order to realise this programme every student during his/her practical classes must have the proper training in all laryngological sections attending the following wards in Department:
- General investigation patients room
- Primary ENT care unit
- Operating theatre
- Outpatient department
- Endoscopy lab.
- Audiological Department

Attendances at all lectures and classes are obligatory and credit for them is a basic condition to enter into an examination. Therefore in order to enter into the examination all absences from classes and lectures must be made up earlier.
Only one missed lecture and class can be made up during or just after the teaching programme being in progress is finished. If their number is higher and the student has no any written justification / e.g. doctor's leave / the remaining missed days can be made up only with another next group of students after having previous written acceptance / permission / from the Dean's Office.

Final oral examination takes place within next two days after the 10-days programme is completed. Students are familiarized with the main topics required for exam.

**Recommended literature:**