

**SUMMER SCHOOL IN THE
EFIC EUROPEAN PAIN SCHOOL AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SIENA**

2008/2009 Academic Year

Art. 1

Object of the announcement

The University of Siena establishes, for the 2008/2009 academic year, the Summer School in the EFIC European Pain School at the University of Siena.

The European Pain School provides wide-ranging multidisciplinary training to young researchers in topics related to pain. Knowledge of pain has increased greatly in the last few decades and today's up-to-date researcher uses concepts and techniques that range throughout the neurosciences. In Europe (especially the eastern part), numerous laboratories are being established with young researchers who want to receive state-of-the-art training and become part of the international research community. For this reason, our proposal to organize a Pain School was readily accepted by the AISD (Italian Society for the Study of Pain), the EFIC (European Federation of IASP Chapters) and the IBRO (International Brain Research Organization).

The Course is organized by the Department of Physiology, University of Siena, Via Aldo Moro - Siena (tel. 0577/234103, fax 0577/234037, e-mail aloisi@unisi.it).

The contact person for the organization and teaching of the Course is Prof. Ann Maria Aloisi, tel. 0577/234103, fax 0577/234037, e-mail aloisi@unisi.it.

The Course Tutor is Dr. Ilaria Ceccarelli, tel. 0577/234101, e-mail iceccarelli@unisi.it.

Art. 2

Requisites

All those interested in the topics covered by the Course may apply for admission.

The number of available spaces is a minimum of 20 and a maximum of 25.

The duration of the Course is 8 days.

Art. 3

Presentation of applications

The application for admission (see Attached Forms) must be sent by e-mail: europainpainschool@unisi.it before February 28, 2009.

Art. 4

Evaluation and tests

If the number of applications for admission is greater than the number of available spaces, admission to the Course will be determined by evaluation of the curricula presented by all candidates and the drawing up of a classification of merit. Qualifications belonging to the following categories will be evaluated:

- a) academic degrees, to a maximum of 15/45 points
- b) diplomas or certificates of specialization and professional qualification attesting to experience in the field of physiopathology of pain, to a maximum of 10/45 points

The criteria for the evaluation of these qualifications will be preliminarily established by the competent body during the first meeting.

For each candidate, the commission will compile a summary card, which will be an integral part of the minutes, containing an analysis of the qualifications in each of the categories and the corresponding number of points.

Candidates occupying the highest positions in the classification will be admitted to the Course according to the number of available spaces.

If there is a tie among candidates, the youngest will be admitted (in the case of evaluation of curricula only).

In the case of renunciation of admission, the candidates that follow in the classification of merit will be admitted. In this regard, the substitution of eligible candidates will continue up to the beginning of the Course.

Art. 5 Registration procedure

The *Ufficio Formazione e Post Laurea* will notify each candidate admitted to the Course via mail, e-mail, telegram or fax.

The candidate must complete his/her registration by delivering/sending to the *Ufficio Formazione e Post Laurea* the documents specified in the following paragraph on or before the deadline indicated in the notification of admission.

The documents necessary for registration are:

- completed registration form provided by the *Ufficio Formazione e Post Laurea*, with application of the appropriate revenue stamp according to the current regulations;
- receipt of payment of the registration fee;
- copy of a valid identity document;
- copy of the Tax Number (only for Italians, *Codice Fiscale*).

The registration fee is **Euro 400,00** over and above any bank fee or commission. This sum must be paid in a single instalment at the time of registration.

Since the Course is part of the institutional activity of the University (not commercial activity), the registration fee is not subject to application of V.A.T. Therefore, an invoice cannot be issued.

The administration reserves the possibility to authorize reimbursement of the registration fee for serious and justified motives in the case that the Course is not held.

Art. 6 Components of the Course

The components of the Course are:

- the Director, Prof. Ann Maria Aloisi.
- the Managing Committee, consisting of the Director and Profs. Giancarlo Carli and Manfred Zimmermann.

Art. 7 Details of the Course

Attendance is obligatory. Justifiable absences are permitted to a maximum of 20% of the scheduled activities.

The Course will begin on June 14 2009 and end on June 21 2009.

The schedule of activities will be communicated by the Course Director.

The main site of the teaching activities will be the Certosa di Pontignano-Castelnuovo Berardenga-Siena.

Art. 8 Issuing of the certificate

At the conclusion of the Course, the Course Director will issue a certificate of attendance (according to the relevant laws) to all registered participants who, in the opinion of the Managing Committee, adequately performed the activities and fulfilled the required obligations. Issuing of the certificate is subordinate to a specific request via the appropriate form available from the *Ufficio Formazione e Post Laurea*.

Art. 9 Modifiche al bando

La comunicazione agli aventi diritto di eventuali modifiche del presente bando, approvate dal competente Consiglio di Facoltà, sarà a carico della Direzione del corso

Art. 10

Processing of personal data

According to D.Lgs. no. 196, 30.06.2003, personal data of the candidates will be collected by the University of Siena - Student Services Section - for the purposes of evaluation of suitability for admission to the Course, and the data will also be used subsequent to possible registration in the Course for purposes pertaining to and consequent on the management of the same relationship.

The candidate has the rights provided by art. 7 of the aforesaid D.Lgs., among which the right of access to the data that concern him/her.

Such rights may be asserted towards the University of Siena - Via Banchi di Sotto 55 - Siena, the institution responsible for the data processing.