International course taught in English

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Master’s Degree in Genetic Counsellors
Medical, Veterinary and Pharmaceutical Biotechnologies

Academic year 2018-2019
Starting from December 2018
The **Master’s Degree in Genetic Counsellors** is the first degree program in Italy that trains the professional figure of the genetic counsellor through the acquisition of the principles and practises of clinical, medical and laboratory genetics. Genetic counsellors are non-medical health figures that work closely with medical geneticists in both public and private medical genetics services. They support medical geneticists in the main areas of genetic counselling and independently conduct genetic counselling whenever a clinical evaluation/diagnosis of the patient is not required.

Prenatal, pre-conceptional and cancer genetic counselling are among the various areas of activity.

The course will be divided into lectures and practical activities.

Conventional teaching session with interactive teaching material and frontal lesson.

Formal lessons will be held in Siena and the internship will consist in the active participation to genetic counselling sessions.

**Course entry requirements**

First level degree for Italian candidates, or bachelor degree for foreign candidates are required.

Candidates who got degrees in Biotechnology, Biology, Psychological sciences and techniques, Social Services, Nursing, Obstetrics, and other Health professions, can be admitted to the Course.

Certificate of the degree in Italian or English language must be provided.

Students who have not yet graduated may apply for conditional admission and they will have access to the course after graduation and no later than the date expected for the enrolment.

Candidates must have a B2 level certificate proficiency of the English language.