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INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL
on
Comparative Research Methodologies
in Health and Medical Sociology

University 'Magna Græcia', Catanzaro (Italy)
6-10 July 2009

First announcement

General Aim

The main goal of the Summer School is to offer a highly specialized training course dealing with the main theoretical and methodological issues involved in carrying out comparative research in the health field. The most recent accomplishments in scientific knowledge related to Medical and Health Sociology will be discussed and the Summer School will provide a chance to practise use of a range of techniques and research tools and will allow opportunities to establish research networks.

Participants

The International School is open to postgraduate students, researchers, lecturers, scholars and all who are interested in carrying out comparative research in the health field

from a sociological point of view. It is particularly relevant for those who are open to inter-disciplinary contributions and to capitalizing on the potential for cross-fertilization.

Background knowledge and training of general Sociology and training in basic research methods and techniques in Social Sciences is a minimum requirement for participants.

The maximum number of participants admitted will be 30: places will be on a 'first come first served' basis.

Preliminary Programme

- ❑ Quantitative variable-oriented vs qualitative case-oriented methodologies: the foundations for an integrated methodological approach in comparative sociological research
- ❑ Crucial methodological issues in comparative sociological research: the small N problem, the Galton problem, the black box problem, the micro-macro levels problem, etc.
- ❑ Comparative research in Health and Medical Sociology: purposes, objects, approaches and designs
- ❑ Data-gathering and analysis: problems and techniques
- ❑ Using existing data sources in the health field: findings and accessing data sources, assessing data sources, analysing data
- ❑ Research techniques in comparative research: observation, interviews, surveys, focus groups, etc.
- ❑ Challenges of mixed methods approaches and study designs
- ❑ Practical issues in planning and carrying out a comparative research in the health field
- ❑ Analyzing data: qualitative and quantitative data

A more detailed programme with a weekly time-table and indication of lecturers and tutors will be issued on **second announcement on beginning of April 2009**.

Venue

The venue will be Villaggio Guglielmo, a four-star hotel set within a pine forest below a rocky promontory, located at Copanello Lido m.100 from the beach and km.22 from Catanzaro town, in the Gulf of Squillace on the Ionian Sea, the hearth of the 'Magna Græcia'.

Full-board and half-board rooms at a special reduced price will be available for participants; alternative accommodation facilities will be indicated as available. A leisure programme with archaeological and boat excursions on request will also be available.

Registration

Please complete the enclosed registration form following all the instructions and highlighting the appropriate fee. The registration fee includes International Summer School participation, all the course documentation, coffee breaks and Social Dinner.

Registration fees	Early fee*	Late fee**
ESHMS members	€ 230	€ 280
Non-members	€ 280	€ 330

* Before April 30 2009

** After April 30 2009

For more information:

ESHMS (European Society for Health and Medical Sociology): www.eshms.org

C.R.I.S.P. (Centro di Ricerca Interdipartimentale sui Sistemi sanitari e le Politiche di welfare): www.crisp.unicz.it; crisp@unicz.it

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REGISTRATION FORM

Please fill this registration form and submit it via email to crisp@unicz.it adding evidence of your payment by bank transfer

Participant Information

Family Name: _____

First name: _____ Profession: _____

Organization: _____

Department: _____

Postal Address: _____

Post Code/Zip: _____ City: _____

Country: _____ E-mail: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Special Requirements: _____

Registration Fee

Please tick the appropriate fee:

€ 230 ESHMS members early fee

€ 280 Non-members early fee

€ 280 ESHMS members late fee

€ 330 Non-members late fee

Payment by bank transfer only to:

Account name: Asclepiadi Service ONLUS

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Privacy note

We collect the participant information on this form for administrative and documentation purposes: you have the option either to share this information with other participants at the International Summer School in the Participants List or to be listed by name and organization only. Please indicate your choice by ticking one of the following boxes:

I agree to having my contact details included in the Participants' List

I prefer to have my name and organization only included in the Participants' List