Summer School: “Psychosocial Interventions in Migration, Emergency and Displacement”

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

ART. 1
The Summer School

The Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna di Studi Universitari e di Perfezionamento, Pisa, Italy, in collaboration with the International Organization for Migration (IOM) is offering a Course in “Psychosocial Interventions in Migration, Emergency and Displacement”. The Course will take place at the Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna’s campus in Pisa, from 29th June to 11th July 2020.

ART. 2
Goals

The focus of the Course is on providing a given frame of understanding of the psychosocial dimension of displacement and crisis-affected societies, while presenting harmonized ethics, approaches and tools associated with psychosocial support. The Course will give an overview of both specific psychosocial programming and psychosocial approaches to different dimensions of humanitarian assistance in emergency displacement, in particular:

a) Mental health and psychosocial paradigms in displacement: psychological, social, cultural and anthropological perspectives.
b) International standards in MHPSS in Emergencies
c) How to foster a non-harmful humanitarian assistance in camp set up and coordination, health, food and non food items distribution.
d) Principles of psychological first aid and psychological counselling
e) Care for the most vulnerables and referral
f) Medical/non medical responses
g) Small scale conflict management and transitional justice
h) Participatory needs assessment
i) Creative and art based interventions
j) Emergency psychosocial project cycle

The course has a practical orientation and relies heavily on case studies to enhance participants’ skills and abilities to effectively provide psychosocial support. Practical exercises will include advanced role-playing and simulations. The participants’ and trainers’ field experience will be captured within sessions especially dedicated to knowledge and lessons learned sharing.
ART. 3
Modules

The sessions are spread over two weeks, from Monday to Saturday and require participants’ full time commitment. The content is divided into 5 modules:

1. Epistemology, systems, international standards, legal framework, theories
2. Tools & standards for psychosocial considerations in basic services and security
3. Tools & standards for psychosocial considerations in family and community supports
4. Tools & standards for psychosocial focused services
5. Understanding of specialized services

The language of instruction is English.

ART. 4
Places available and entry requirements

The course addresses the needs of psychologists, social workers, educators-teachers, medical doctors and psychiatrists, nurses, applied artists (e.g. dance therapists), humanitarian workers, emergency experts, development workers or similar, who meet the following minimum requirements:

- Have at least a 3 years University degree or equivalent in relevant disciplines, issued by a University institution or equivalent.
- Have at least 2 years of work experience in a related field.
- Have a proficient working knowledge of English.

Knowledge of any other language and/or any further relevant training, voluntary or professional experience would be an asset. Relevant publications are also an advantage.

The course can accept a maximum of 30 participants and will be activated with a minimum of 22 participants.

15 places out of 30 are reserved to qualified IOM professionals/consultants that will be identified directly by IOM. The remaining 15 places will be assigned by the Scuola to qualified candidates following a public selection process, as per art. 5 and 6 of the present call.

ART. 5
Application procedure

The selection process managed by the Scuola will be considered on a rolling basis and each month a selection round will be held. Selected applicants will be informed by e-mail of the result of the selection process. The application deadline is 6th April 2020. The internal selection carried out by IOM will be finalized on the same date. Unless all places are taken earlier, the final deadline for application is the 6th April 2020.

Applications received after the deadline will not be given consideration.

Applications shall be submitted online at: http://www.santannapisa.it/psycho2020, consisting of the following:

1. Application form, specifying:
   a. Surname, name, place and date of birth, citizenship
b. Address and contact details for any communication and willingness to notify any changes in contact details
c. University degree(s), grading and awarding university institution
d. Relevant publications (if any)
e. Relevant training experience (if any)
f. Relevant work experience including present position and years of service
g. Relevant volunteering experience (if any)
h. Knowledge of English and of any other language
i. Motivation statement
j. Whether they are self-sponsored, or sponsored by any organization or their employer
k. Whether they ask to be considered for an eventual financial support, and whether they would accept a position in the course without said support

2. The applicant’s CV/résumé

In case of failure of the online application system, applicants are advised to contact the Course Secretariat at paolo.benvenuto@santannapisa.it.

Late applications, or applications missing any mandatory information will not be taken into consideration.

Forged deeds and false statements shall be punished in accordance with the Criminal Code and any other applicable law and will result in exclusion from the course.

**ART. 6**

**Selection process**

The selection process covers an assessment of the applicants’ qualifications.

A Selection Committee will select the applicants by awarding up to 100 points to their qualifications, based on the following criteria:

1. Relevant training in the sector (including BA, MA, PhD) up to 20 points
2. Relevant work experiences (and years of service/duration of employment) up to 23 points
3. Remarkable relevant volunteering experience up to 7 points
4. Language skills up to 10 points
5. Publications if relevant up to 7 points
6. Motivation statement up to 23 points
7. Candidates who work on relevant issues related to the course within government in developing Countries, international organizations or cooperation offices, and/or who are supported by sponsoring organizations/institutions up to 10 points.

Only applicants who receive an overall score of at least 60/100 points will be considered eligible for the course.

At the end of the process, the Selection Committee will prepare the list of admitted and reserve students which will be published on the Scuola’s website.

Only admitted applicants will be notified via email.
The Scuola retains the right to offer additional places, based on merit, to eligible non-IOM candidates on the Scuola’s waiting list, in case the internal selection carried out by IOM fails to cover all 15 places reserved to IOMers.

In the same way, should the selection carried out by the Scuola fail to produce the maximum number of 15 admissions, the Scuola might offer additional places, based on merit, to eligible candidates on the IOM waiting list, in order to fill the remaining places.

**ART. 7**

**Tuition fee and scholarships**

The Course fee is 1,650,00 EUR and includes attendance costs, tutorship, reference material, lunch/dinner at the canteen of the Scuola Sant’Anna for the entire length of the course, access to the library of the Scuola, and free access to the wireless connection within the Scuola premises.

Accommodation in Pisa is full responsibility of the participants.

Any other expenses – such as visa and travel costs, etc. - are to be covered by the participants.

Depending on financial availabilities, up to two partial scholarships (50% of the tuition fee) may be made available towards meeting the tuition fee. If available, said contributions will be awarded by the above-mentioned Committee, whose decision will be final, taking into consideration the motivation and the curriculum of the candidate, gender balance and nationality of a non-OECD country.

In accordance with art. 9 paragraph 2 of Decree No 68/2012, students with disabilities greater than or equal to 66%, recognized pursuant to art. 3, paragraph 1, of Law 104/1992, are exempted from the payment of the tuition fee.

A reduction of 1.5% for each percentage point of disability is applied to those students with disabilities less than 66%. The student with disabilities who intends to make use of the exemption or reduction of the tuition fee shall attach a suitable certification in the on-line application.

**ART. 8**

**Acceptance – Payment methods**

Admitted applicants who wish to attend the Course shall give confirmation of their acceptance by the deadline indicated in the notification of admission.

Payment can be made:

- through bank transfer to the following account: Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna, UNICREDIT BANCA S.p.A., branch of Pisa, P.za Garibaldi 1, IBAN code IT 32 O 02008 14006 000401272765; BIC/SWIFT: UNCRITM1G12, description of payment: “Participant Name and Surname/Summer School Psycho 2020”

Admitted students who are citizens of non-EU countries residing outside Italy, as soon as they receive notification of admission, shall contact the Italian Embassy in their country of residence (for the addresses please see: [http://www.esteri.it/MAE/EN/Home.htm](http://www.esteri.it/MAE/EN/Home.htm)) in order to apply for a short-term visa for study purposes. The Scuola will support the visa application of the participant by sending an official letter to the competent Embassy.
Admitted participants who withdraw from the Summer School after payment of the tuition fee might be reimbursed if their withdrawal is based on serious and documented reasons and if the course’s budget so allows. Participants who have diligently applied to the competent Embassy without undue delay but have been refused their visa will normally receive reimbursement of the tuition fee that they have paid.

**ART. 9**

**Certificate of attendance and credits**

At the end of the Course those participants who have attended at least 80% of the classes will receive a Certificate of Attendance.

At the end of the course, those participants who wish to obtain a maximum of 5 academic credits are expected to take a multiple choice test related to the modules of the course. Upon successful completion of the exam, they will receive a Final Certificate with the written indication of the number of credits obtained.

**ART. 10**

**Person responsible for the competitive entrance examination procedure, personal data processing and prevention of corruption measures**

Under the art. 5 of the Act n. 241/90 and ff.mm., the person in charge of the competition procedure is Mrs. Elena Cambi, Head of the U.O. Higher Education - Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies - Via Maffi 27, 56127 Pisa - tel. 050/882645 - fax 050/882633 - e-mail: altaformazione@santannapisa.it.

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