



inter-uni.net for integrated health sciences status of an associate member

QUALIFICATION, DISTANT LEARNING PROGRAMME AND RESEARCH IN INTEGRATED HEALTH SCIENCES

Based on a post-academic *Master Course* (Austrian BGBl. II Nr. 127/1998) according to § 27-28 of the Austrian Law on University Studies (BGBl. I Nr. 48/1997, Version BGBl. I Nr. 53/2002) together with the decree of the Austrian Ministry of Education and Science of May 2nd 2002 (BGBl II Nr. 234/2002)

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Dear Colleague!

On behalf of the *COLLEGE @ inter-uni.net for integrated health sciences* we are writing to invite your Institute (resp. Department resp. Chair) to become an associate member of *inter-uni.net for integrated health sciences* within a project funded by the European Commission.

- **The aim of association with *inter-uni.net* is in the first place to document the international interest in further psychosocial and scientific qualification of professionals in alternative, complementary and integrated health care.**

The *inter-uni.net for integrated health sciences* is a network of institutions already active in this field. Partners may come from both the fields of CAM, and from related fields such as education, psychosocial training, public health, health promotion, natural science and medicine.

- Furthermore, if they wish, partner institutions may take a specific role in activities of the *COLLEGE*, linked with the distant learning project on integrated health sciences (based on a post-secondary *Master Course* according to the Austrian Law on University Studies and funded by the European Commission, see www.inter-uni.net), such as support of or participation in research, documentation of literature and data, peer-review and co-editing of teaching materials, quality assessment (evaluation and audit), and others from the point of view of education, psychosocial training, public health, health promotion, natural science, medicine or other upon separate agreement. Such engagement may be reimbursed upon agreement.
- The partners of *inter-uni.net* may, if they wish, participate in further EU-fundraising coordinated by *COLLEGE*, specially in the promising Erasmus Mundus Programme, and may have the opportunity to become national centres when the distant learning course on integrated health sciences (which is at present funded by the European Commission) is licensed to local national centres.

Furthermore, inter-uni.net partners may, if they wish, be enabled to give the *EU-Certificate on Integrated Health Sciences* to their local students if their local curricula are accepted by the Validation Unit of the Leonardo da Vinci EU-Project A/02/B/F/PP-124.205.

Core members of the *inter-uni.net on integrated health sciences* (as of 31.12.2003) are the following University Institutions.

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Austria

- Arbeitsgemeinschaft für Bioinformatik am Institut für Biomedizinische Forschung
Medizinische Universität Graz, A (F. Senekowitsch, biomedical research)
- Institut für Soziologie
Universität Graz, A (F. Höllinger, sociological aspects)
- Universitätspraxis Wien VIII
Medizinische Universität Wien, A (S. Ibrahim, complementary therapies research)
- Department für Psychotherapie und Psychoanalyse des Institutes für Psychologie
Universität Klagenfurt, A (A. Krefting, depth psychology)
- Abteilung für Politik- und Entwicklungsforschung, Institut für Soziologie
Universität Linz (I. Wintgen-Samhaber, sociology and health)
- Institut für Grenzgebiete der Wissenschaft
Universität Innsbruck (A. Resch)
- European University Centre for Peace Studies
(N. Lieger, Vienna, health and peace)
- Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Homeopathy, Graz, A
(M. Haidvogel, complementary therapies research)

Switzerland

- Kollegiale Instanz für Komplementärmedizin
Universität Bern, CH (A. Thurneysen, regulatory biology)

France

- Département de Biologie Cellulaire, Faculté de Pharmacie
Université de Bordeaux 2 (J. Cambar, consultation basic research methods)

Italy

- Dipartimento di Scienze Morfologico-Biomediche / Chair of General Pathology
Università degli Studi di Verona, I (P. Bellavite, regulatory biophysics)
- Internal Relations Office, Facoltà di Medicina
Università degli Studi di Firenze (L. Della Corte, international relations)
- Centro Sperimentale per l'Educazione Sanitaria Interuniversitaria
Università degli Studi di Perugia (L. Briziarelli)
- Istituto di Medicina Olistica e di Ecologia, Anguillara / Roma
Università di Urbino until 2002, reg. ass. since then (C. Bornoroni, complementary therapies didactics)

United Kingdom

- Division of Primary Health Care
University of Bristol, UK (T. Thompson, integrated health care)
- Complementary Medicine Research Unit, School of Medicine
University of Southampton, UK (G. Lewith, complementary medicine research)
- School of Nursing, Midwifery and Health Studies, Faculty of Health
University of Wales, Bangor, UK (Anne Squire)
- Faculty of Homeopathy
The Royal London Homoeopathic Hospital, UK (P. Fisher)

Netherlands

- Institute for Ethnobotany & Zoopharmacognosy
(A.G.M. v. Asseldonk)



Sweden

- Department of Health and Society
University of Linköping, S (M. Eklöf, complementary health care research)

Norway

- National Research Center on Complementary and Alternative Medicine, Faculty of Medicine
University of Tromsø, N (V. Fönnebø, complementary medicine research)

Germany

- Institut für Umweltmedizin und Krankenhaushygiene
Universität Freiburg, D (H. Walach, complementary therapies research)
- Lehrstuhl für Unkonventionelle Medizinische Richtungen
Universität Witten/Herdecke, D (P. Matthießen, G. Bornhöft, didactics and research methods)
- Lehrstuhl für qualitative Forschung in der Medizin, Institut für Musiktherapie
Universität Witten/Herdecke, D (D. Aldridge)
- Magdeburger Institut für Supervision, Therapie, Evaluation und Lehre an der
Hochschule Magdeburg, D (E. Göpel, consultation health promotion)
- Zentrum für wissenschaftliche Weiterbildung
Universität Oldenburg, D (J. Rieforth, consultation psycho-social aspects)
- Fachhochschule Fulda - University of Applied Sciences, Fulda, D
(B. Blättner, consultation health promotion and promotion of health)

Hungary

- Department of Applied Health Sciences
University of Szeged, HU (Z. Benkó)

Poland

- Biochemistry Department
University M. Curie-Skłodowska, Lublin, PL (E. Dornatowicz-Malareczyk)
- Department of Public Health
Medical University of Warsaw, PL (J.D. Karaki, jbkhealth@viamedica.pl)

Bulgaria

- Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry
Medical University Plovdiv (V. Kamenov, M. Arginova)
- Faculty of Public Health
Medical University Varna (S. Popova)
- The Scientific Research Department
Sofia University (A. Kuyvezieva)

(Israel)

- The Center for Integrative Complementary Medicine
am Shaare Zedek Medical Center, Lehrkrankenhaus der medizinischen Fakultät der Universität Beer-Sheva
(M. Oberbaum)

(Egypt)

- Complementary Medicine Unit, Faculty of Medicine
Cairo University (A. Bayoumi Hammad)

- Département Université Paris F (G. Delahaie) (in progress)

- Département Université de Louvain, B (Philip Antoine) (in progress)

- Département University Porto P (E. Moniz) (in progress)

Project Profile

- Scientific and psychosocial continuing education for members of helping professions with a complementary medicine or psycho-social background
- Taking into account already acquired practical (therapeutic) knowledge
- Furthering education toward a dual profile including therapeutic knowledge and theory
- Master of Health Sciences (MSc)
- with deepened psycho-social competency and
- qualification for research, teaching and public service through

- *Health-related knowledge, general health promotion*
- *Communication skills in helping relationships*
- *Research knowledge and inter-disciplinary dialog skills*
- *Understanding of paradigms and methods of complementary, particularly regulative, approaches as a possibility for resources promotion*

Target Group

Persons from healthcare related / helping professions with competency in complementary medicine / psycho-social, therapeutic, counselling, pedagogic or scientific areas, who have a deepened psycho-social proficiency as well as aspire qualification for research, teaching and public service.

Project Goal

Developing a Europe-wide clear standard of scientific and psychosocial further education in the “complementary” field.

Invitation for membership

In order to document your Institute’s (resp. Department’s resp. Chair’s) interest in adequate strategies for further psychosocial and scientific qualification of professionals in the complementary field, your Institute (resp. Department’s resp. Chair’s) accepts the status of an associate member of *inter-uni.net for integrated health sciences*. However, this does not mean that it takes responsibility for the activities of the *COLLEGE @ inter-uni.net on integrated health sciences*, Graz. There is no financial obligation whatsoever involved. Members of *inter-uni.net for integrated health sciences* will receive information on on-going projects and have the possibility to participate in board meetings on a regular basis. If your Institute (resp. Department resp. Chair) is ready to join the *inter-uni.net for integrated health sciences*, please send or fax us back the letter annexed below (or similar, full or in part) on official paper.

For further information, please visit www.inter-uni.net / EU-project

Looking forward to hearing from you
Sincerely Yours

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Annex: see attach “please fax back”

