

<b>02. CHRONICITY AND PALLIATIVE CARE: THE SCOPE OF END-OF-LIFE CARE<sup>i</sup></b>	
First Level	
<b>Department of Experimental and Clinical Medicine (DMSC)</b>	
The course is held in collaboration with <i>FILE, Fondazione Italiana di Leniterapia</i>	
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<b>Practical-professional profile of the course and reference job market</b>	<p>The course provides qualified expertise and professional skills in a care setting that places Individuals and not the disease at the centre of the system, prioritizing 'care' as well as the dignity and quality of life of patients and their friend and family group. In particular, the course aims to provide the cultural, organizational, and professional tools to refine and disseminate a palliative-centric sensibility that considers the significant issues of chronicity and geriatrics from epidemiological and biological, as well as social and cultural perspectives. The course aims to place the care of patients with chronic diseases, particularly the very elderly with multimorbidity and those in advanced stages of disease in which it is reasonable to expect a poor prognosis in the relatively short term, within a framework that takes into account not only biomedical aspects related to the diseases but also those concerning the psychological, relational and spiritual suffering of the patient and of those who care for them.</p> <p>In particular, the course aims to train social-health professionals for various roles and with varied skills, who can operate at different levels of care: general medicine, Palliative Care Units, homes, hospices, and in public and private (profit and non-profit) territorial services.</p> <p>To this end, the training activities will be divided into three main areas, Vision, Action, Organization, which will in turn be declined into Reason-Culture-Sentiments, Places-Patients-Techniques, and Team-Network-System. The major issues of chronicity, oncology, and geriatrics will be considered and placed in epidemiological, biological, social, and cultural contexts. The course will be held in the mode in which the epidemiological situation allows; should impediments to the movement of students and faculty arise due to the continuing health emergency determined by the COVID-19 pandemic, modules may also be taught online via a platform to be defined.</p> <p>At the end of the course, students will have the appropriate knowledge to identify patients and their end-of-life needs as a complex whole requiring the integration of different professional skills. In general, students will acquire a palliative culture that can impact and transform how they act in care settings.</p>

<b>Admission requirements</b>	<p>Degree awarded in accordance with the system under Ministerial Decree No. 270/2004 (or Master's degree under Ministerial Decree No. 509/1999, considered equivalent under the Interministerial Decree of July 9, 2009) in one of the following classes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• L-2 Biotechnologies</li> <li>• L-5 Philosophy</li> <li>• L-13 Biology</li> <li>• L-24 Psychological Science and Techniques</li> <li>• L-39 Social services</li> <li>• L-40 Sociology</li> <li>• L/SNT1- Nursing healthcare professions and midwifery (Nursing, Paediatric Nursing and Midwifery only)</li> <li>• L/SNT2- Rehabilitation Health Professions (only degree programmes in Physiotherapy, Speech Therapy, Psychiatric Rehabilitation Techniques, Developmental Neuro- and Psychomotor Therapy, and Vocational Training).</li> <li>• L/SNT3- Technical healthcare professions</li> <li>• L/SNT4- Preventive healthcare professions</li> </ul> <p>or equivalent qualification pursuant to Law No. 1/2002, provided the student holds a secondary school-leaving certificate;</p> <p>Master's degree under the university system ex M.D. no. 270/2004 (or a Master's degree under D.M. n. 509/1999 considered equivalent pursuant to I.D. of 9 July 2009) in the class</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LM/SNT1 Nursing and midwifery;</li> </ul> <p>A single-cycle Master's degree under the university system pursuant to D.M. no. 270/2004 (or a Master's degree under D.M. n. 509/1999 considered equivalent pursuant to I.D. of 9 July 2009) in the class</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LM-41 Medicine and surgery</li> </ul> <p>Degree awarded under the university system prior to M.D. no. 509/1999 in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Biotechnology Medical Biotechnology</li> <li>- Pharmacy</li> <li>- Philosophy</li> <li>- Biomedical engineering</li> <li>- Medical engineering</li> <li>- Literary subjects</li> <li>- Medicine and surgery</li> <li>- Pedagogy</li> <li>- Psychology</li> <li>- Health Planning Sciences</li> <li>- Motor Sciences</li> <li>- Social services</li> <li>- Sociology</li> </ul>
<b>Admission procedure</b>	Selection based on qualifications and a selective exam, which aim to verify the candidate's personal preparation and motivation. The exam will consist in an interview.
<b>Duration</b>	9 months
<b>Teaching methods</b>	Mixed, synchronous
<b>Language the course will be delivered in</b>	Italian/English
<b>Attendance requirement:</b>	67%
<b>Course location</b>	UNIFI premises within the Careggi campus
<b>Foreseen lecture days</b>	Classes will be held on Fridays (11 am to 6 pm) and Saturdays (9 am to 4 pm)

<b>Exam procedures and schedule</b>	The methods for delivering the mid-term exams will be decided later.
<b>Final exam</b>	The final exam consists in the presentation of a final paper.

<b>Number of available places and enrolment fees</b>	
<b>Full-fee students</b>	
<b>Minimum no. of places</b>	10
<b>Maximum no. of places</b>	24
<b>Enrolment fee</b>	2,000 Euros
<b>Single modules</b>	
Not provided for	

<b>Description of traineeship activities and training objectives</b>	Shadow practitioners in various settings: hospitals, local units, and hospices. Assimilate appropriate ways of dealing with patients and their families. Acquire communication techniques in nursing and care relations. Observational activity. 78 total hours of traineeship.
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