

POSTGRADE UNIVERSITY DIPLOMA

Title: University Specialist in Maritime Health - “Especialista Universitario en Salud Marítima”

Type: Diploma, 20 credits (200 hours)

Responsible University Unit: Rovira & Virgili University of Tarragona (URV-Med Prev) / Official collaboration SEMM

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Objectives:

- To update and acquire knowledge in the field of Maritime Medicine (rules and regulations, epidemiology, evidence-based maritime medicine, medical care, prevention ...)
- To capacitate the pupils to evaluate seafarers work conditions to implement preventive occupational measures.

Contents:

- 1) History background, international rules and regulations, organisation of maritime medicine per countries (2 credits).
- 2) Research: Statistics, epidemiology and Evidence Based Medicine (2 credits)
- 3) Medical assistance for seafarers. Telemedicine (2 credits)
- 4) Standards in Fitness Examinations (2 credits)
- 5) Work conditions: accidents and occupational diseases. Health by maritime activities: harbours, fishing industry, merchant navy, divers, cruise, seafarers as travellers ... (3 credits)
- 6) Preventive medicine: management, vaccinations, occupational risk prevention (hygiene, safety, ergonomics, psycho-sociology), health promotion and education (3 credits).

Evaluation:

- 50 % multiple choice test (7 modules)
- 25 % participation, ability and attitude in seminars, workshops etc
- 25 % a report or research work (between 25-50 pages)

Module 7 activities:

Possibility of IMHA, SEMM and others seminars, courses and workshops recognition of credits (e.g. those of the 7th and next International Symposiums on Maritime Health with their workshops if they have been evaluated), research works (the pupil could gain till 1 credit per each).

Timetable: First edition in Spanish from Nov. 2003 to June 2004 (virtual classes 140 hours + 60 h practical activities). We are preparing a next edition in English to begin with more practical activities in 2004 till the next Symposium in 2005 (8th ISMH in Croatia).

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We are working in the Possibility of some grants.