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What is it?

The VIU Summer Institute on Ageing offers a “state-of-the-art” program which will provide the students with a thorough understanding of the ageing process, ranging from recent advances of the medical and epidemiological literature, to an extensive treatment of the economic dimension (pensions and long term care) and of the sociological dimensions (intergenerational transfers, role of family networks). Special attention is given to the use of large micro-data sets, such as SHARE (Survey of Health Ageing and Retirement in Europe) and sister surveys: the HRS, ELSA, TILDA, CHARLS. This edition of the Summer Institute will have a focus on: **Global Ageing, Vulnerability and Disability**

Who is it for?

The Summer Institute is addressed to mainly graduate and PhD students in economics, medicine, political science, psychology and sociology. Moreover, high level policy makers and high level officials in public and private institutions will be admitted if their background is adequate.

Which are the main activities?

- Presentations in the fields of biomedicine, geriatrics, genetics, epidemiology, patient care, psychiatry, as well as economics of ageing, pension economics and finance, health economics, public health, demography and sociology.
- Hands on sessions: presentation of the survey data on ageing available to the scientific community focusing on datasets such as SHARE, ELSA, HRS
- Poster sessions and other activities: discussing the participants’ researches with the senior scholars.
- Interactive sessions, such as “revolving conversations”, aimed at discussing new research ideas.

Who is the faculty?

Vincenzo Atella, University of Rome Tor Vergata, IT
Lisa Berkman, Harvard University, USA
Luigi Fontana, University of Brescia, IT and Washington University in St. Louis, USA
Arie Kapteyn, USC Dornsife, USA
Camille Lassale, University College London, UK
Jinkook Lee, University of Southern California, USA
Stefania Maggi, National Research Council Italy
Alberto Pilotto, Ente Ospedaliero Galliera Genova and University of Padua, IT
Luigi Pistaferri, Stanford University, USA
James P. Smith, RAND Corporation, USA
Dario Spini, University of Lausanne, CH
Andrew Steptoe, University College London, UK
Joachim Winter, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, DE

What will you learn?

Double learning outcomes: on one end participants will gain more insight into the recent advances of the ageing process from a theoretical and practical point of views and will be able to evaluate the impact of these advances (e.g. health care costs); On the other end participants will take part into a “hands on” session that will teach them how to use the data behind the research effort in this area. Hence participants will gain both subject-related competence in handling large data sets on ageing which do contain relevant information on health conditions, but also economic conditions and they will be able to develop models which can predict the relevance of policies – such as reforms in the Long Term care dimension.



Data sets: SHARE, HRS, ELSA,

As for the data-sets, large samples from the SHARE (Survey of Health Ageing and Retirement in Europe), HRS (Health and retirement Study), ELSA (English Longitudinal Survey on Ageing), will be used.



What's special about the Institute?

Attending the school means developing **transversal competences** because the **approach is multidisciplinary** and those who have a specific economic or sociological background will know more about medical advances in ageing research as well as learning the specific language in which MDs deal with these issues. High level policy makers or officials who may also take part in this programme will be able to learn how to connect issues between the health dimension of ageing and the economic dimension of ageing.



What's the relevance of the school?

Ageing population is a major concern for many European countries. The ageing process is a complex process involving several dimensions: from the health dimension to the socio-economic context. In order to achieve a better understanding of how to guarantee successful ageing in Europe it is crucial to take account jointly of these different dimensions and to develop welfare models that enhance the resource aspect of an ageing population: from labour supply (experience) to family care etc..

Future generations of researchers will have to address the challenge of ageing with a multidisciplinary background both in their academic career and in operational activities and policy making. This is true also for firms (and managers) which will have to adjust to an ageing work-force and to make the best of the skills that these workers will offer. It is clear that this research agenda has a huge impact on public finances ranging from Health care and Long term care spending, to Pensions and Social Security.

Application procedure and costs

The Program will admit a maximum of 35 participants.

Fees: € 1000 incl. VAT.

Scholarships to cover part of the tuition will be available.

The fee will cover tuition, teaching materials, accommodation in double rooms at the VIU campus, meals in the VIU cafeteria and Social events. Student participants will be responsible for covering their own travel expenses to and from Venice and local transportation.

On-line applications

Available from **Feb 13, 2017** on the VIU website. Applicants must submit the application form, a letter of motivation – which should include a brief description of the candidate's research interests, a curriculum vitae and a photo.

Application deadline: April 30, 2017

Credits

Number of **ECTS credits** allocated: **2**

A Certificate of attendance will be issued at the end of the course.

WEB: <http://www.univiu.org/shss/seminars-summer-schools/ageing-institute>

The Venue

The Island of San Servolo is an oasis in a unique urban setting, [10 minutes by boat from Piazza San Marco](#). Students can study, work, and relax in a peaceful park spread across 12 scenic acres with a panoramic view of Venice.



[The no. 20 public boat service](#) connects San Servolo to the Venice historical centre.

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