



I.O.F.O.S INTERNATIONAL COURSE IN FORENSIC ODONTOLOGY

AGE ESTIMATION WORKSHOP

July 7 to July 11, 2025

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON AGE ESTIMATION

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Sponsors: Faculty of Medicine of University of Lisbon, Faculty of Dental Medicine of University of Lisbon, Faculty of Dental Medicine of University of Zagreb, Faculty of Medicine of University of Firenze.

Coordinators of the Course: Prof. Cristiana Palmela Pereira, Prof. Hrvoje Brkic, Prof. Vilma Pinchi.

Definition of the scope of the course

The International Workshop on Age Estimation is designed to provide practicing health professionals and all the professionals related with skills and experience in the field of forensic age estimation. A age estimation qualification allows dentists to perform forensic examinations on age assessment as required by law enforcement agencies, courts, or medical examiners (coroners). The workshop offers an emphasis on practical aspects of age estimation and an in-depth understanding of the correct professional handling, examination, interpretation, and presentation of evidence which may come before the legal authorities. Forensic Odontologists provide an important service to the community in both civil and criminal jurisdictions.

This course is designed for practicing forensic experts who wish to gain experience in the professional field of age estimation, and for all professionals who are somehow related to the different areas of intervention of age assessment. They are professionals in the field of law, medicine, and other areas



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that intervene in an interdisciplinary way. Whether you are new to conducting age assessments or would like to refresh your previous training, our international course will enable you to approach this work using up to date case law, best practice guidance and best scientific evidence based.

This course age estimation training covers all aspects of the age estimation process in living persons and dead bodies, from making decisions at initial the forensic examination, through to writing a forensic report.

General objectives of the course

Create a period of acquisition of basic skills in age estimation (knowledge, skills and attitudes), in view of preparing health professionals and other professionals in the forensic and judicial sciences to act correctly and appropriately, in the best interest of society and always under the terms of the law, when confronted in their professional life with issues of the nature of forensic medicine, regardless of the area in which they work, in order to contribute to a good administration of Justice, to the prevention of violence and to the treatment, protection, rehabilitation and reintegration of people involved in issues with forensic and medico-legal repercussions.

Provide theoretical knowledge and practical skills within the scope of age estimation by intervention of forensic experts to enable them to perform age estimation in living and dead bodies.

Skills to be acquired

Enable forensic experts to obtain a set of basic knowledge about the various aspects of age estimation, in terms of its scope, objectives, competencies and pertinent legislation, with particular emphasis on how this science can and should articulate with the remaining areas of medico-legal, legal, judicial, and forensic intervention. This training is evaluated, for holders of a Bachelor's or Master's degree in Dentistry and Medicine, through the practical competence that the participants demonstrates in the practical realization of the fundamental age estimation expertise in the legislation in force within the scope of the same.

Career Opportunities

This international course as continuing education provides the necessary tools to pursue research in age estimation. It is a international course recommended



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for all professionals who act as forensic experts in the areas of age estimation in living and dead bodies.

Language

English

Assessment

All participants of the course will receive a certificate.

The assessment of knowledge will be carried out, through a 2 written final experts reports on age estimation based on 2 practical cases. The participants will do experts reports according to the methods recommended during the course.

The final classification of the international course on age estimation will be successful or unsuccessful. The successful participants will receive a proficiency certificate on age estimation for 2 years.

Location

School of Human Health Sciences, University of Florence, Florence, Italy.

Information and registration

The pre-registration needs to be until **April 30th, 2025**.

To pre-register you need to fill out a form and mail it to treasurer@iofos.eu

(Professor Hrvoje Brkic, the Treasurer of IOFOS)

When you have been pre-accepted you will receive notification and billing information. Your participation is formal when the course fee has been paid until **May 15th, 2025**.

The number of participants is limited to 20.

Course Fee



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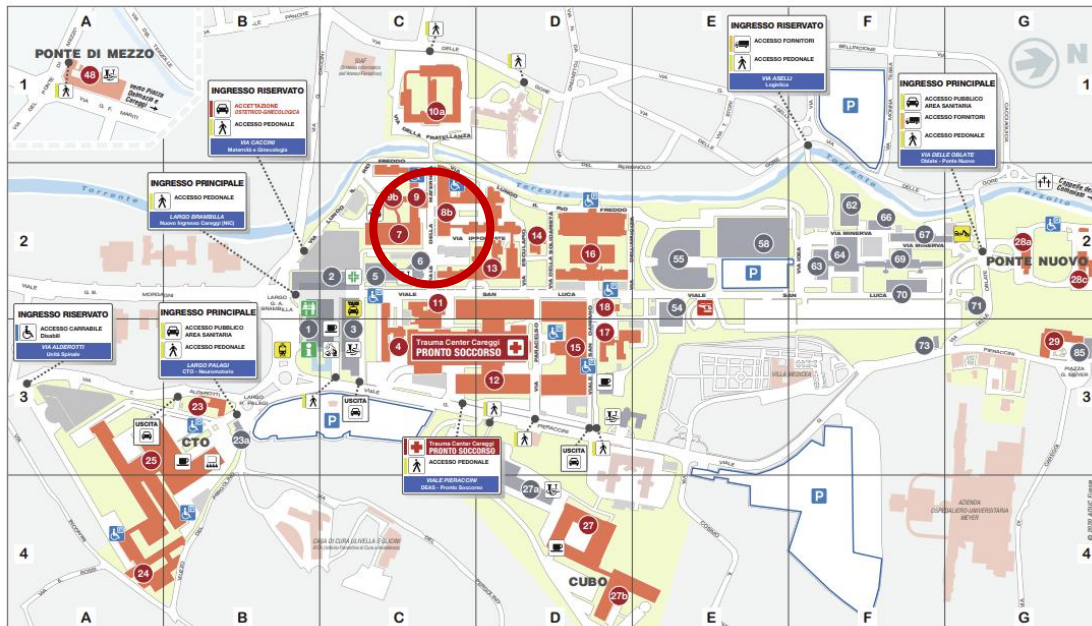
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The Course fee of 1700 Euros will cover the course and includes lunches and coffee/tea breaks and social dinner.

Venue Information

The School of Human Health Sciences, University of Florence is inside the **Careggi Hospital Campus, Largo Brambilla, 3 – 50134, Florence, Italy.**

Here you can find a map of the Careggi Hospital Campus with the venue of the School circled in red.



You can reach the Careggi Hospital Campus of Florence with Public Transport (Buses, Trams, Trains, or Taxis) from the Airport of Florence (A. Vespucci – Peretola), Train Stations (Santa Maria Novella, Rifredi, Campo di Marte), and the City Centre.



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