

New intl. Master Program in HTA, EbM and Decision Science

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to send you the following two announcements:

Master Program in
**“Health Technology Assessment, Evidence-based Healthcare and Decision
Science (HTADS)”**
at UMIT – University for Health Sciences, Medical Informatics and Technology, Hall
i.T., Austria
will start in **Fall 2010***

The HTADS Master is worldwide the first Master program of its kind that is built on the three pillars Health Technology Assessment (HTA), Evidence-based Healthcare (EBHC) and Decision Science (DS).

The HTADS Master Program will start in October 2010* and combines lectures, discussions, case study group work, and hands-on computer lab sessions within its 13 modular weeks. The Program covers the following subjects:

- HTA principles, methods and practice
- Methods in biostatistics, clinical epidemiology and EbM
- Systematic reviews & meta-analysis
- Economic evaluation
- Decision-analytic modeling
- Health outcomes and quality of life
- Health policy management, health care systems and reimbursement

In addition to the 13 modular weeks, students have to complete an eight-week internship and write a Master Thesis including a colloquium.

Third 4-Day Certified Course
“Introduction to Health Technology Assessment”
October 4-7, 2010

at UMIT – University for Health Sciences, Medical Informatics and Technology, Hall
i.T., Austria.

The 4-day introductory course in Health Technology Assessment (HTA) combines lectures, discussions, case study group work, and hands-on computer lab session in the key elements and methods of HTA and Decision Sciences and covers the following subjects:

- HTA key principles and practice
- Methods in biostatistics, clinical epidemiology, and EbM
- Patient-relevant outcome measures
- Critical study appraisal
- Systematic reviews & meta-analysis
- Economic evaluation and pricing
- Decision-analytic modeling (+ Computer tutorial)
- Context-specific application of HTA
- HTA from different perspectives (agency, industry, decision maker etc.)

Both, the Master Program and the Continuing Education Course are part of the International HTADS Continuing Education Program developed by the Institute of Public Health, Medical

Decision Making and Health Technology Assessment, Department of Public Health, Information Systems and Health Technology Assessment (Chair: Prof. Dr. Uwe Siebert) at UMIT. The HTADS Program was designed to provide excellent quality education and comprehensive training in the key issues of Health Technology Assessment (HTA) and Decision Sciences (DS) for anyone involved in the health sector.

To find out more about the HTADS Master Program and HTADS Continuing Education Program, please see the attached brochure or visit our website (www.umat.at/htads).

Kind regards,

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* This master program will start in fall 2010, provided the accreditation by the Austrian Accreditation Service.

Please, apologize any cross posting.

If you do not want to receive further information on the HTADS Continuing Education Program at UMIT please send an e-mail to htads@umat.at.