

Programme

The course aims to empower palliative care professionals with potential to become leaders in their communities; enabling them to identify and address future challenges in palliative care. Therefore, the curriculum provides learning opportunities in the fields of

- Personal Development
- Project Management
- Teamwork
- Research Methods
- Advocacy.

In addition to these modules that are taught face-to-face, the course participants will do

- an observational week at a European palliative care institution of their choice and
- work on a personal project.

Between the course weeks the participants will work on assignments, follow-up on or prepare the face-to-face sessions and develop their project. Including assignments the course comprises 600 hours and should be completed within 1.5 years. The course is to be completed part-time, enabling the participants to continue their work in palliative care. The second course run, EUPCA 2015-17, has now drawn to a close and applications are currently being accepted for EUPCA 2017-19.

The European perspective is considered as an integral part of the course. It also offers vast opportunities for informal learning through the exchange with people who come from different countries and professions.

Course participants who complete the course and assessments successfully and have an absence rate of less than 10 per cent will receive a certificate of attendance issued jointly by the four academic centres and the Robert Bosch Stiftung. In addition, every academic centre is going to apply to the national bodies for the different palliative care professions for recognition of its course week. Thus, it is anticipated to hand out certificates at the end of each course week. The certificate would state the number of points for "continuous professional development" (CPD). Furthermore, The Leadership course of the European Palliative Care Academy fulfils the FIBAA quality requirements for certified continuing education courses and has been certified by the Foundation for International Business Administration Accreditation (FIBAA). It meets the demands of level 7 of the European Qualifications Framework for lifelong learning (EQF), has a modular structure and assigned ECTS points.