

# Call for Admission to the The Ultimate Course of Canine and Feline Gastroenterology

Finalized and Permanent Training Course
Instituted by the School of Biosciences and Veterinary Medicine

# Academic Year 2022/2023

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## Art. 1 - PURPOSES AND EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

The Ultimate course of Canine and Feline Gastroenterology consists of a predefined, coordinated sequence of lessons aimed at enabling the student to correctly diagnose specific canine and feline digestive pathologies and to administer the most appropriate treatments for these pathologies. The goals and objectives of the individual modules are:

- to review the pathophysiology (also in relation to functional anatomy and the evaluation of the "classical" and "novel" markers of organ function/integrity) of canine and feline digestive systems.
- to introduce and gain in-depth knowledge of the new concepts in microbiomics and metabolomics.
- to provide the student with a practical basis on which to build the foundations of a clinical-endoscopic and therapeutic approach.

- to review the immunopathology of the GI system to better manage the problems related to acute and chronic stimulation of the gut-associated lymphoid tissue (GALT) from a clinical, therapeutic and nutritional point of view.
- to provide new knowledge as to the "-omics" and their correct use in the management of clinical cases.
- to provide in-depth knowledge to understand the complex interaction between the intestines, the microbiota, GALT, liver, and pancreas.
- to provide in-depth knowledge on the food, nutraceuticals and medicines useful for the treatment of pathologies of the GI tract and associated glands.

# Art. 2 - PROFESSIONAL SKILLS PROVIDED BY THE COURSE

This course allows the student to gain comprehensive knowledge into canine and feline gastroenterology firstly from a physiopathological and immunopathological point of view and subsequently from a clinical and therapeutic point of view. Thanks to a highly specialized in-depth analysis, this course will allow the student to adequately manage highly complex cases by providing cutting-edge knowledge in the sector.

# Art. 3 - EMPLOYMENT OR POSITION IMPROVEMENT OUTCOMES

This training course will allow veterinarians to improve their current employment position or find new employment opportunities through the acquisition of skills to treat and resolve a wider range of pathologies in clinical practice, thus achieving greater adherence to cure and customer loyalty.

# Art. 4 - STUDY PLAN

Training modules	SSD	CFU	Total Hours of Distance Learning (FAD)	No. of hours frontal lesson	Hours of alternative teaching activity*	Hours of self study
Pathophysiology and diagnosis of canine and feline gastrointestinal diseases	Vet/03	3	6		13	56
Canine and feline gastrointestinal diseases: Immunopathology, macrobiotics and nutrition	Vet/03	ß	6		13	56
Diagnostic algorithms and management of canine and feline digestive diseases	Vet/08	4	8		16	76
Training on clinical cases	Vet/08	1	6			19
Intermediate tests	Vet/08	1	6			19
Final Exam		1				25
		13	32		42	251

<sup>\*</sup> Alternative teaching activities include live webinars with interactive discussion of clinical cases, Q&A sessions and polls.

## Art. 5 - PROGRAMME DETAILS

- 1. Course duration: 1 year
- 2. Lessons will begin in April 2023 and end in March 2024.
- 3. Teaching is online only on the www.fad.faberformazione.it e-learning platform and video lessons will alternate with live webinars. All lessons will be in English, and indications and instructions will be provided to students before the start of lessons. Video lessons will provide theoretical teaching, while live webinars will provide an interactive discussion of clinical cases, Q&A sessions and polls. Students will be involved in discussions and debates through a dedicated forum on the platform and will also carry out of exercises on proposed clinical cases. Intermediate tests will also be on the e-learning platform. Live discussions will be recorded. The video lessons and the recordings of the live discussions will be subtitled in English. The video lessons, the webinars and the recorded discussions will be made available for 7 days following their publication on the platform.
- 4. Classes will take place through the use of a telematic platform for on-line teaching. Directions and instructions will be provided to the members before the start of the lessons.

#### Art. 6 - ENTRY REQUISITES

1. Holders of a high school diploma or equivalent qualification may be admitted to the course. It is preferable, however, to have a Degree in Veterinary Medicine or an equivalent qualification, issued in the student's country of origin.

## Art. 7 - FOREIGN ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

- 1. Applications may be submitted by candidates who have obtained a qualification comparable in terms of level, content and academic rights to the Italian qualification required for access to the course. Assessment of foreign academic qualifications will be made on the basis of current legislation. However, registration is subject to evaluation of eligibility:
  - a. of the study programme of the prior qualification by the Central Administration; b. content, with respect to the skills acquired, by the Scientific Council.

## Art. 8 – MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM NUMBER OF ADMISSIONS

- 1. Admissions to the course are limited. The minimum number for activation is 40 students, who have paid the registration fee. The maximum number of students admitted is 45.
- 2. If the maximum number of enrolled students, indicated in point 1, is exceeded, there will be a selection procedure as detailed under "Methods of admission and selection of candidates" below.
- 3. The course will not be activated unless the minimum number of students register.

## Art. 9 - ATTENDANCE AND CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING

- 1. Attendance cannot be under 70% of the total number of course hours.
- 2. No credit for prior learning is envisaged.
- 3. The study of the webinar recordings is not valid in terms of attendance. Live attendance is required at webinars.

#### Art. 10 – ADMISSION AND SELECTION OF CANDIDATES

- 1. Admission to the course is subject to the evaluation of eligibility by the Scientific Council and is based on the assessment of the candidate's training and professional curriculum and compliance with the requirements set out in the article "Qualifications and requirements for access to the course".
- 2. If the number of enrolment applications exceeds the maximum number of places available, a selection procedure will be activated, consisting in an interview to assess aptitude on course subjects. The selection procedure will take place online, live, with dual cameras, without the use of virtual backgrounds or blurring effects, on a specific date.
- 3. Candidates will be notified by e-mail within 10 days of the deadline for submitting the application of the outcome of the assessment referred to in article 10, point 1, or the activation of the selection procedure referred to in point 2, with information on the procedures, dates and times.

#### Art. 11 - DEADLINE AND SUBMISSION OF THE REGISTRATION FORM

1. The application for registration form must be submitted by **06 March 2023**, exclusively through the dedicated section of the on-line procedure, in the University http://www.unicam.it/miiscrivo/ where the applicant will find all the information on the application procedure. For further information on the online application procedure please contact Faber Formazione Srl tel. and whatsapp 0039 329 6781833, email info@faberformazione.it or the Student University of Camerino Tel. 0039 0737 402070 Secretariat of the segreteriastudenti.master@unicam.it.

No payment is required at application. The 1st instalment of the registration fee must be paid only after receipt of a specific e-mail from the organizing secretariat and within the terms indicated in the e-mail, as specified in Art. 14 below.

Once the online registration procedure is completed, in addition to a copy of an identity document, the applicant will be asked to fill in a self-certification declaration, which can be found at the following address: <a href="http://www.unicam.it/miiscrivo/iscrizione-corsi-perfezionamento-e-aggiornamento-professionale">http://www.unicam.it/miiscrivo/iscrizione-corsi-perfezionamento-e-aggiornamento-professionale</a>

## Art. 12 - WITHDRAWAL, SUSPENSION OR WAIVER

- 1. The student who does not fulfil the minimum attendance requirements will not be admitted to the final exam.
- 2. Students who do not take the final exam within the year of enrolment will not obtain any recognition of course work. In exceptional cases the Scientific Council can add a second exam session within the same academic year of the course.
- 3. Failure to pay the second instalment, within thirty days of the deadline, will automatically result in the annulment of the enrolment with the consequent loss of the right to participate in the activities envisaged in the course study plan and to obtain the final qualification.
- 4. No waiver of attendance obligations is permitted. In the case of prolonged illness (exceeding the maximum percentage of absence, i.e., 30%), pregnancy or maternity/paternity leave (at the request of the student), the student may apply to the competent office requesting a suspension from the

Course. In these cases, it is possible to obtain a supernumerary admission to the subsequent edition of the course in the following academic year, (subject to the re-edition of the Course).

5. The student can withdraw at any time by submitting a specific request. This entails the loss of student status. At withdrawal, there will be no refund of any fees paid.

## Art. 13 - AUDITORS

1. No auditor participation is envisaged.

#### Art. 14 - FEES

1. Total course fees are € 3.800,00 to be paid as follows:

**1st instalment**: € 2.000.00 at the end of the admission procedure according to the instructions and terms provided in a specific e-mail which will be sent to all candidates by the organizing secretariat.

**2nd instalment**: € 1.800.00 by 11 April 2023.

Candidates with disabilities listed at art. 3 paragraph 1, of the law n. 104 dated 5 February 1992, or with a disability equal to or greater than 66% are granted a 50% reduction of total course fees (they are not exempt from paying any penalties envisaged for late payment).

- 2. A penalty of € 25,00 per day will be applied for late payment of the 2nd instalment.
- 3. Fees paid will not be refunded upon withdrawal from the course after the deadline for submission of the enrolment application, or forfeiture of enrolment as described above.
- 4. Bank transfers from abroad must include the name of the student and the title of the course in the reason for payment and must be made to the following IBAN IT47A0306969088100000300018 BIC BCITITMM.

## Art. 15 - FINAL EXAM AND QUALIFICATION CERTIFICATION

- 1. At the end of the course, only those students who: have complied with the required training obligations; have attended at least 70% of the course; have completed the online course evaluation questionnaire available on the University website at <a href="http://survey2.cs.unicam.it/limesurvey/index.php/259481?lang=it">http://survey2.cs.unicam.it/limesurvey/index.php/259481?lang=it</a>; will be able to take the final exam. The final exam will take place via a multiple-choice test on the e-learning platform.
- 2. The purpose of the intermediate tests is to assess learning, but they will not contribute to the final evaluation.
- 3. On passing the final exam and on completion of the <u>on-line course evaluation</u>, the University di Camerino will issue the Certificate for the course.

#### Art. 17 – HANDLING OF PERSONAL DATA

1. Personal data provided by candidates in the application form are treated in compliance with the Legislative Decree n. 196 dated 30 June 2003, "Code regarding the protection of personal data" and the GDPR (EU Regulation 2016/679).

2. Application for enrolment in the Course, implies consent to publishing of personal data and data relating to the selection tests on the University website and the processing of the data for statistical purposes.

# 3. Art. 18 - PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE PROCEDURES

1. On the basis of art. 5 of law n. 241 dated 7 August 1990, the person in charge of the procedures of this call is Alessandra Zampetto (e.mail: alessandra.zampetti@unicam.it, tel. 0737-403356), Manager of teaching activities of the School of Biosciences and Veterinary Medicine.

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