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**Call for Applications  
(8 positions)  
Winter School Law & Neuroscience  
University of Pavia, Italy**

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**Academic Year 2012-13**

**Scope and Objective**

In their everyday practice, lawyers need to face situations which are multidisciplinary by definition, such as evaluating scientific elements in a case they are working for, or finding the best scientific experts to consult. Recently, the use of neuroscientific and advanced technological tools in the legal setting has been increasing. The reaction within the legal community sometimes is in terms of strong faith in scientific evidence and other times is based on diffident distrust. Both approaches, however, can lead to an improper use of such tools when they are not supported by an actual knowledge and understanding of these techniques.

The Law & Neuroscience Winter School is a school for non-scientists. Courses are focused on Neuroscience, Psychiatry and Genetics (basic scientific information) and on their intersection with the Law, from a comparative perspective. The school is directed to graduate/master-degree students and PhD Students. The objective of this school is to provide proper information about the increasingly advanced neuroscientific findings and techniques, and to give students the chance to study how neuroscience impacts on different legal systems and how the philosophical debate about free will and responsibility has been influenced by its recent advancements.

**Who can participate**

The course is designed for graduate (master-degree) students and PhD Students enrolled in the faculties of Law, Philosophy and Psychology.

**Working language**

English

**Dates and place**

The Call for application is open for the second edition of the Erasmus Ip Intensive Course Winter School in Law & Neuroscience, which will take place at the University of Pavia - Italy, from **6 January 2013** (arrival of participants) to **19 January 2013** (Departure of participants).

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**Days to be spent in Pavia:** 14 days

**Duration of the winter school:** 10 days

Attending the **80%** of classes is mandatory.

### **Costs and scholarship**

The Winter School reserves 22 full scholarships to students from the Universities participating in the IP Partnership and 8 further full scholarships from external institutions.

The selected students, from other Institutions, are in charge of arranging and paying their travel and accommodation in Pavia, Italy. The International office the University of Pavia will provide for information about possible housing solutions in Pavia.

The registration fee is € 300.

### **Evaluation**

At the end of the winter school, students will be awarded by a certificate of attendance in which will be also indicated the number of ECTS.

ECTS AWARDED: 4

### **Selection criteria**

The assessment will be made on the basis of the candidates' qualifications, fluency in English, academic preparation and motivation.

### **How to apply**

The Application form can be downloaded from the website:

Application form, CV and motivation letter must be sent by email (in a unique file) to the University contact person Ms. Michela Cobelli: [michela.cobelli@unipv.it](mailto:michela.cobelli@unipv.it).

### **Deadline for applications:**

December 14th, 2012.

The selected students will proceed to an interview on December 17th. Place and time of the interview will be published on the following website: [www.unipv.it](http://www.unipv.it) > Relazioni internazionali > Intensive Programme > Law and Neuroscience Winter School. For any further information please send an e-mail to: [marialaura.fiorina@gmail.com](mailto:marialaura.fiorina@gmail.com) or [uni.federicacoppola@gmail.com](mailto:uni.federicacoppola@gmail.com).

The final ranking will be published on December 18<sup>th</sup> on the following website [www.unipv.it](http://www.unipv.it) > Relazioni Internazionali > Intensive Programmes > Law and Neuroscience Winter School.

Within December 20<sup>th</sup>, short listed students will have to sign an acceptance or refusal form that will be sent to them by e-mail, and they will have to send it by e-mail to [michela.cobelli@unipv.it](mailto:michela.cobelli@unipv.it) or by fax to 0382/986270 (Professor Silvia Garagna).

We remind you that the University of Pavia will be closed for Christmas holiday from December 23<sup>rd</sup> 2012 until January 6<sup>th</sup> 2013. For any question please contact in that period [marialaura.fiorina@gmail.com](mailto:marialaura.fiorina@gmail.com) or [uni.federicacoppola@gmail.com](mailto:uni.federicacoppola@gmail.com).

The Programme is available on the website: <http://www.unipv-lawtech.eu/lang1/law-and-neuroscience-winter-school-2013.html>

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<http://www.unipv.eu/online/en/Home/UsefulInformation/HowtogettoPavia.html>
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