

FORTHCOMING COURSES

Applications are invited to attend the following courses by contacting the secretariat in each case.

DIAGNOSTIC PARASITOLOGY COURSE

Date: July 30-August 10, 2007

Venue: Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, Maryland, USA

Course fee: US\$ 1,500 (not including lodging or meals)

Course summary: This course will consist of a series of lectures and hands-on laboratory sessions covering the diagnosis of parasitic infections of humans. In addition to microscopic examination of specimens, participants will have the opportunity to practice various methods used in the diagnosis of intestinal, blood and tissue parasitic diseases. Parasitic diseases encountered throughout the world will be included. Slide/DVD presentations and video tapes are available for study. The course will be held on the University's campus in Bethesda, Maryland, utilizing up-to-date lecture rooms and laboratory facilities. Microscopes will be available on a loan basis and laboratory supplies will be provided. Certain reference specimens will be available for personal use.

Topics covered: The following is a sample of the topics covered

First week
Helminths: Intestinal nematodes
Filariasis
Tissue nematodes
Cestodes
Trematodes
Schistosomes

Second week
Protozoa: Amebiasis
Intestinal and Atrial flagellates
Coccidia
Malaria
Trypanosomiasis
Leishmaniasis

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COMMON PROBLEMS IN TROPICAL PEDIATRICS : PRACTICAL APPROACH

Date: September 17-21, 2007

Venue: Faculty of Tropical Medicine, Mahidol University, Bangkok, Thailand

Course fee: US\$ 800 (including lunches, coffee breaks, and travel to a rural hospital)

Course summary: The course consists of lectures and discussion. Case studies and word rounds in a hospital in an endemic area for tropical diseases will be arranged, so that participants will gain real experience with tropical diseases. The courses will be conducted in English. Facilitators will be experts in pediatric infectious diseases, particularly malaria, TB, HIV/AIDS, and dengue.

Topic covered: Malaria in children
Dengue infection
Childhood tuberculosis
Pediatric AIDS
Fluid therapy in acute diarrhea
Leptospirosis
Acute respiratory tract infection
Scrub typhus
Meloidosis
Common parasitic infections

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