



MALTA UNIVERSITY CONSULTING

Communicating with the Elderly: Not just staying alive but *living* 26 April – 28 June 2010

Lectures: Mondays between 1730hrs & 1930hrs

Venue: The University Residence, R Mifsud Bonnici Str, Lija

26 April

03 May

10 May

17 May

31 May

14 June

21 June

28 June

Although we will do our utmost not to change these scheduled dates once course has started, kindly note these are subject to change

AIM AND CONTENTS OF THE COURSE

The course promotes practical guidelines for effective interaction with the elderly and presents techniques for overcoming communication problems and disorders common among elders. Assisted living, the use of computers for communication, approaches for dealing with the emotional strains of anxiety and depression, among others, are addressed.

COURSE OUTLINE

What is Communication?	How and Why we Communicate
Methods of Communication	Communication Disorders
Transactional Analysis	How ageing affects Communication
Interacting with the Elderly	How illness affects Communication Skills
Exchanging Messages despite Barriers	Decision Making with the Elderly
Group Involvement	Promoting Self-Expression
Computers and the Older Generation	Preserving Morale
Therapeutic use of Humor	

THE LECTURER

Dr JOSEPH G AGIUS, M.Sc. (Dublin), Ed.D. (Sheffield), is a registered Speech Language Pathologist with special interest in fluency disorders and humour research. He holds a Master of Science degree in Clinical Speech and Language Studies from Trinity College, University of Dublin and a Doctor of Education degree from the University of Sheffield. As partner expert nominated by the University of Malta, Dr. Agius collaborates with experts from eight European Universities on the development and delivery of the '*European Clinical Specialization Course in Fluency Disorders*'. He has an extensive background in training, lecturing, evaluation, facilitation and programme management. Dr. Agius has experience working with diverse populations around Europe helping to develop skills in communication, leadership and public speaking, and conflict management. He is Senior Principal of the Speech Language Department and employed by the Health Division, Government of Malta. Dr. Agius lectures at the University of Malta on '*Fluency Disorders*', '*Language and Psychiatry*' and '*Creativity, Humour and Communication*'. He is member on the Board of Studies of the Communication Therapy Division, University of Malta. Dr. Agius has been a state-appointed family mediator since the very inception of the Family Court in 2003 and Civil and Commercial Mediator in 2008

COURSE FEE, REGISTRATION AND CONTACT INFORMATION

€uro 180 - Cheques to be made payable to Malta University Consulting Ltd.

Registration Deadline: 19 April 2010

Participants who attend at least 80% of the sessions will be awarded a Certificate of Attendance issued by MUC

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