



Eduglobal Associates- Winter 2018

Ciao a Tutti!

It's been a while since our last newsletter and we have some exciting updates to share! We have been hard at work completing 2018 internship placements, contracting with several new placement sites, and planning for CSM 2018. To keep future interns as accurately informed as possible regarding their internship sites, we have added 3 new members to our advisory boards. VP Jaclyn Stoerzbach has worked tirelessly to get our new (and beautiful) website up and running; this should streamline application processes and will provide up to date information regarding the latest placement facilities. As Eduglobal Associates continues expand, Jaclyn and VP Linda Bartalesi spent time together this fall meeting with PTs from potential new placement sites in both Italy and Spain. Finally, the Eduglobal Associates Board of Directors has announced new scholarship awards for excellent performance during an internship. As always, we are looking forward to even more growth in 2018!

Introducing our new and Improved Website (and application process)!

A huge thank you to Jaclyn for her efforts in helping to create a brand new website for Eduglobal Associates. Here's what she has to say about it: *"As we continue to*

grow we have realized the need to continually adapt and update our processes. Our new website at www.eduglobalassociates.org will showcase our newest facilities along with having an easier online application process. Students who are applying will get a personal log-in to fill out their application, easily follow the status of their application, and make administrative fee payments online using a credit card."

2019 Application Submission Dates!

Don't miss the opportunity to apply for your 2019 Italian internship opportunity. The first submission date, **February 15th 2018**, is approaching quickly. The subsequent dates are April 15th and June 15th 2018, but placements have historically been filled early, so don't wait!
Apply [here!](#)

Meet our New Alumni Advisory Board Members

Jenni Hutchinson PT, DPT (board member):

Jenni graduated from Pacific University in 2017 and completed her internship at Fondazione F Turati and Villa Pineta in the summer of 2016. She is currently working at Vancouver Rehab and Therapy, an outpatient orthopedics rehab facility in Vancouver, Washington.



Amanda Dargay PT, DPT (secretary):

Amanda graduated with her DPT from Drexel University and completed an internship at Fondazione F Turati in 2015. She is currently working at 2 different rehab hospitals in Pennsylvania.



Noelle Lyons PT, DPT (board member):

Noelle graduated from Saint Francis University and completed an internship at Istituto Prosperius Tiberino. She is currently living in Pittsburgh Pennsylvania's "Little Italy" and working as a Center Manager in outpatient orthopedics at Novacare Rehab.



Eduglobal Board of Directors Announces Scholarship Awards

The Board of Directors of Eduglobal Associates has announced the award of scholarships to students who have successfully completed an Eduglobal international internship. *The Eduglobal Physical Therapy Student Excellence in*

Clinical Education Abroad Scholarships are offered to student interns who demonstrate one or more of the following in an international setting:

Excellence in clinical achievement.

Excellence in professionalism.

Excellence in service and engagement with patients and staff.

Excellence in cultural awareness/competence.

Students are nominated by the Clinical Instructors in facilities affiliated with Eduglobal Associates and must be approved for the award by their program's Director of Clinical Education. The scholarships will be funded by contributions from alumni of Eduglobal's program and other benefactors. The number of scholarships and the amounts of each are to be determined annually.

The recipients of the 2017 awards will be announced in the next newsletter.

Eduglobal Adds Outpatient Facilities in Italy:

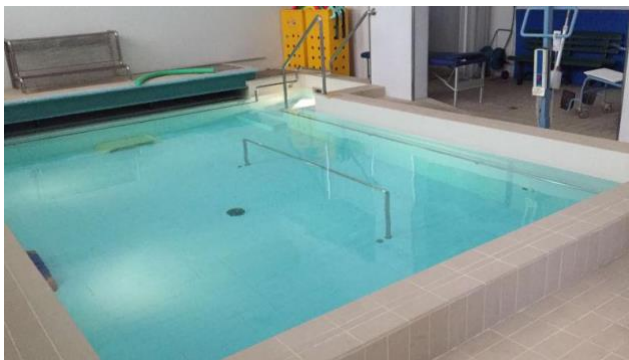
Since 2006 Eduglobal Associates has offered clinical education placements in predominantly inpatient facilities rehabilitation facilities in Italy. Increasingly, to conserve the resources of the national healthcare system, more rehabilitation treatment is delivered in outpatient settings, including day hospital programs. Patients may receive multiple treatments from diverse rehabilitation professionals, including physical therapy. Often more intensive rehabilitation can be delivered to these patients, who are more medically stable than their inpatient counterparts.

Starting in 2018 Eduglobal offers placement in two outpatient facilities:

The first is the outpatient clinic of Fondazione F. Turati located in Pistoia, the fifth largest city in Tuscany. A second outpatient site, Ambulatori delle Misericordia, is located in Campi Bisenzio, a western suburb of Florence.

Neurological patients admitted to the clinics include those with stroke, multiple sclerosis, parkinsonism, and neurodegenerative diseases. Neurological patients are seen three to five times a week in 45-minute sessions with a single

physical therapist. The clinics also admit orthopedic patients with total joint replacement immediately post-surgery, patients who have had amputations and traumatic injuries due to accidents, and patients with neck and back pain of many etiologies. The treatment of outpatients with musculoskeletal disorders emphasizes exercise and orthopedic manual therapy. Recently, the Pistoia clinic has added a private, cash-payment service for physical therapy specialty practice. The service, called Kineia, offers manual therapy, postural evaluation and treatment, and neurological rehabilitation provided by therapists with advanced training.



Pictured above: the therapeutic pool at Ambulatori delle Misericordia.



Pictured above: Rehab gym at Fondazione F. Turati Pistoia

Meet Us at CSM 2018 in New Orleans!



We are looking forward to connecting with future and previous students and faculty at our booth (243) in the career section of the Exhibit Hall of CSM New Orleans. Come say hello!

What's going on Abroad?

VIII Congress of the World Federation of Athletic Training and Therapy:

"Onward, to Madrid, Spain! Jaclyn and Linda were able to attend the WFATT which was held at Universidad Camilo José Cela. There were 3 days of workshops, educational sessions and research poster presentations from a large international group of athletic trainers and physical therapists. It was a wonderful environment to network and exchange ideas across countries and disciplines."-Jaclyn



Group Clinical Instructor Meeting:

"Jaclyn and Linda held an all CI meeting at one of our largest facilities, Prosperius Tiberino in Umbertide. We had 18 CI's across all five facilities participate. The discussion was focused on how to improve CI to student communication and feedback. We have decided to implement a weekly feedback form where both the student and CI give feedback to each other and create weekly objectives. We also discussed the importance of the student



performing an evaluation within the first week of their internship. Riccardo Zanola, a long standing neuro CI, did a presentation on how to standardize a functional assessment and teach this to the students. Other topics included voting on the most beneficial Italian phrases for students to learn to best prepare them and voting on criteria for student scholarships. Afterwards, we enjoyed a traditional Italian meal and toasted over the success and growth of Eduglobal!"



Istituto Prosperius Wins Award for Health Innovation

In a national competition of Italian medical institutions, Istituto Prosperius Tiberino won top honors for its work with exoskeletal orthotic devices for ambulation. Among 117 competitors, Istituto Prosperius was awarded the "Heath Innovations 2017" award for work in the field of medical health. Its project was entitled "Use of an exoskeleton in the home environment among patients with medullary lesions".

The research and clinical applications with exoskeletons at Istituto Prosperius is supervised by Dr. Paolo Milia, MD, PhD. Dr. Milia is available to speak on his research at universities participating in Eduglobal Associates' Italian internship program. Istituto Prosperius accepts 45 interns annually from American DPT programs. Contact Jaclyn Stoerzbach for more information at info@eduglobalassociates.org.

Bellarmino University Interns Present at Cardiopulmonary Congress

In December 2017 four Eduglobal interns from Bellarmine University gave invited presentations at the First National Congress of Young Respiratory Physical Therapists, which took place at Villa Pineta in Pavullo nel Frignano, Italy. Villa Pineta accepts 18 Eduglobal interns a year in their cardiopulmonary rehabilitation program.

Kristin Paris presented a case study on her work with a patient weaned from mechanical respiratory assistance at Villa Pineta during her internship there. Alexandra Dempsey, Ryan Barry, and Cathy Agapay presented on "Involvement of the osteoarticular system in the COPD patient". These students were interns at Istituto Prosperius Tiberino.

The congress was sponsored by Villa Pineta, as well as the Italian Association for the Rehabilitation of Respiratory Insufficiency, the University of Parma, and the University of

Modena and Reggio Emilia. Dr. Ludovico Trianni, MD, who heads cardiopulmonary rehabilitation at Villa Pineta, organized the congress with the assistance of cardiopulmonary physical therapist and lead Clinical Instructor Antonio Brogneri.



First Cohort of 2018 Arrive at Istituto Prosperius Tiberino:

Students (left to right) Maria Muto (Columbia U.), Emily Spear (Columbia U.), Hannah Murray (St. Louis U.), Erica Fayer (Georgia State U.), Robert Catanese (St. Louis U.), Bryan Smith (Georgia State U.), Ryan Hudson (Georgia State U.), Eirika Abbey (Radford U.), and Nicole Schuh (St. Louis U.) pose with CI Giulia Giorni (upper left) at Istituto Prosperius in Umbria.