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Institut Des Hautes Etudes Osteopathique De Nantes - (IdHEO)

The Institut Des Hautes Etudes Osteopathique De Nantes (IdHEO) is a school of osteopathy established in 2002 to be a centre of excellence in osteopathic education, promoting the philosophy, scientific research and clinical practice of osteopathy on a local and international level.

The school has a 5-year full-time program consisting of 4300 hours of training. There are also professional development courses provided for qualified osteopaths. IdHEO has its own onsite scientific research laboratory, Laboratoire de Recherche en Ostéopathie (LRO), and research department. There is an onsite osteopathy clinic and provides offsite clinics at sporting events, clubs and charity organisations.

The school has a staff of 12 full-time administrators and directors and 140 part-time teaching staff composed of 90 osteopaths and 50 medical doctors or university lecturers. The school has 300 undergraduate students and approximately 80 professional osteopaths taking professional development courses annually. It has one location in Nantes on the west coast of France.

The school's goals are:

- To train high quality and safe osteopathic practitioners able to perform in a multitude of health care situations,
- To develop osteopathic research with objective to provide scientific proof of existing empirical observations, and
- To promote the philosophy of osteopathy and professional collaboration with other health care providers through local and international conferences, partnerships, and forums.

IdHEO offers ERASMUS, a European exchange program for students and teachers. IdHEO was a pioneer in this program for osteopathy schools and participates actively in teacher and student exchanges. Exchanges are funded and controlled by the European Union Executive Agency. They provide an excellent opportunity to share expertise with osteopaths from different European countries and to have a greater understanding of the different osteopathic approaches to patients.

IdHEO collaborates on an international level with a number of schools. They exchange on pedagogy, research and student mobility with the following organisations:

BSO – United Kingdom
CK University – Norway
AIMO – Italy
IEMO – Italy
ICON – Israel
St. Petersburg State Medical University – Russia

An important aspect of IdHEO is its partnership with Nantes University. Students, who meet the university selection requirements, have the opportunity to follow additional courses beginning in the third year at the university and complete their research project in one of the university research laboratories. Students who follow this program will graduate with an MSC master of sciences in addition to their osteopathy qualification from IdHEO.

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