

SUMMER SCHOOL IN OSTEOARCHAEOLOGY AND PALEOPATHOLOGY

June 22nd-July 10th

Schedule

First week: June 22-26, 2026

Monday 22	9-12.30	Laboratory: Presentation and introduction to the Summer School (30 min) Preparation of the skeletal remains procedures for cleaning, consolidation, restoration (3 hrs)
	13.30-17	Lecture: Skeletal anatomy: bone anatomy (2 hrs) Laboratory: washing and restoring of skeletal remains (1.5 hrs)
Tuesday 23	9-12.30	Lecture: Skeletal anatomy: the skull (2 hrs) Laboratory: washing and restoring of skeletal remains (1.5 hrs)
	13.30-17	Lecture: tooth structure and identification (2 hrs) Laboratory: washing and restoring of skeletal remains (1.5 hrs)
Wednesday 24	9-12.30	Lecture: Skeletal anatomy: the thorax (2 hrs) Laboratory: restoring and labelling of skeletal remains (1.5 hrs)
	13.30-17	Lecture on Archaeological excavation at the necropolis of Pava (1.5 hrs) Lecture: Taphonomy (2 hrs)
Thursday 25	9-12.30	Lecture: Skeletal anatomy: girdles and limbs (2 hrs) Lecture and Laboratory: Dentoalveolar diseases (1.5 hrs)
	13.30-17	Laboratory: Dentoalveolar diseases (3.5 hrs)
Friday 26	9-12.30	Lecture and lab: Methods for sex estimation in adults (3.5 hrs)
	13.30-17	Laboratory: Methods for sex estimation in adults (3.5 hrs)

Second week: June 29-July 3, 2026

Monday 29	9-12.30	Lecture and lab: Age estimation in adults (3.5 hrs)
	13.30-17	Lecture and lab: Traumatic lesions I (2 hrs) Laboratory: Age estimation in adults (1.5 hrs)
Tuesday 30	9-12.30	Lecture: Traumatic lesions II (2 hrs) Lecture: Age estimation in preadults (1.5 hrs)
	13.30-17	Laboratory: Age estimation in preadults (3.5 hrs)
Wednesday 1	9-12.30	Lecture and lab: Anthropometric measurements of bones (3.5 hrs)
	13.30-17	Laboratory: Stature calculation and osteometric indices (3.5 hrs)
Thursday 2	9-12.30	Lecture and lab: Tumours (2 hrs) Laboratory: Review of data collection (1.5 hrs)
	13.30-17	Lecture: Metabolic diseases (2 hrs) Laboratory: Review of data collection (1.5 hrs)
Friday 3	9-12.30	Lecture and lab: Physiological stress markers (3.5 hrs)
	13.30-17	Laboratory: Recording of physiological stress markers (3.5 hrs)

Third week: July 6-10, 2026

Monday 6	9-12.30	Lecture: Treponematosi (2 hrs) Laboratory: Paleopathology (1.5 hrs)
	13.30-17	Lecture and lab: Upper respiratory health indicators: chronic maxillary sinusitis and <i>otitis media</i> (3.5 hrs)
Tuesday 7	9-12.30	Lecture: Non-specific infections (1.5 hrs) Lecture: Osteoarthritis (2 hrs)
	13.30-17	Lecture: Human remains and ethics (2 hrs) Lab: Osteoarthritis (1.5 hrs)
Wednesday 8	9-12.30	Lecture and lab: Ergonomics (2.5 hrs) Visit to Museum of Pathological Anatomy and Paleopathology (1 hr)
	13.30-17	Lecture: Congenital diseases (2 hrs) Laboratory: Paleopathology (1.5 hrs)
Thursday 9	9-12.30	Lecture: Leprosy (1.5 hrs) Laboratory: Paleopathology (2 hrs)
	13.30-17	Lecture: Tuberculosis (2 hrs) Laboratory: Paleopathology (1.5 hrs)
Friday 10	9-12.00	Conclusion of the Summer school: Presentation of main results

Warning: The order and the time (but not the topics) of the activities may be modified depending on the unintended educational commitments of the staff and based on the progression of the students. A coffee break of 10 minutes at mid-morning and mid-afternoon is scheduled.