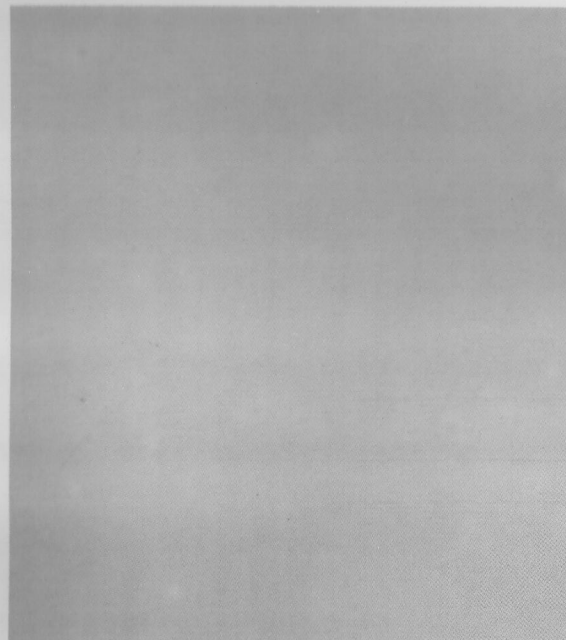


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I.E.S.

The "Institut d'Estudis de la Salut" (I.E.S.) (Institute of Health Studies) was established in 1980 in Barcelona by the Department of Health and Social Security (D.H.S.S.) of the Government of Catalonia.

The I.E.S. promotes cooperation between national and international organizations and agencies in the fields of health and social services

The I.E.S. works in close liason with other sections of the Department of Health and Social Security and with health and social service personnel at many levels. It has three main functions:

1. To initiate, promote and/or carry out research projects.
2. To advise the D.H.S.S.
3. To promote and implement further education programmes for health and social services personnel.

Although the I.E.S. receives support from different public and private agencies, most of its activities are directly funded by the Catalan government.

LOCATION

ADDRESS: *AVINGUDA DE ROMA, 157, 1st.*
08011 BARCELONA
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A permanent location for the IES premises is now under study.

We are provisionally located in central Barcelona, not far from the main administrative and academic centres of the city.

PHONES: 34.3. 253.10.01 - 253.11.00
253.31.04 - 253.31.05

TELEX: 54205 DSSSE

PUBLIC TRANSPORT:

UNDERGROUND

“Hospital Clínic” (L.5)
“Passeig de Gràcia” (L.3)
“Urgell” (L.2)

BUS

43, 44, 20, 21, 14, 59, 54, 58, 64, 66, NB, SJ

ORGANIZATION

The IES has a Board of Directors composed of seven members appointed by the Hon. Ministry of Health and Social Security. The members are either civil servants, academics or experts in the fields of health and health care, education and social welfare, who are elected on the basis of their professional qualifications.

PERMANENT STAFF

Director:

Professor Albert ORIOL-BOSCH

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Dr. J.J. ARTELLS-HERRERO

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Dr. J. BASELGA-MONTE

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S. CAMPS, N. FERNANDEZ,

Y. GARCIA, M. MORAGUES,

X. COTS

The lecturing staff of the IES are invited on the basis of their professional competence.

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Research activities cover a broad range of interests in the fields of health services, personal social services and public health. Projects funded during the 1983-1984 period dealt with the decrease of fertility rates, epidemiology of leptospirosis, dental health, poverty and inequity, mental health, nutritional behaviour and the demand and supply of health manpower in Catalonia.

Planned activities for the period 1984-1986 will include the following projects:

- Prospective assessment of the need and demand of health manpower.
- Hospital case mix and its effects on health expenditure.
- Rationalization of decision making in primary health.
- Cost-Effectiveness of advanced medical-technology procedures, including new health information systems.
- Design of mathematical simulation models to help in rational decision making.
- Assessment of needs for the Mentally and Physically Handicapped
- Occupational Health.

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

The IES plays a role in post-graduate training for health services and personal social services.

Regular courses at Diploma level in Public Health and Occupational Health are offered to medical doctors, nurses and pharmacists for the 1984-1985 session. Short courses in Epidemiologic Surveillance, Drug Control, Health Education and Health Economics, are also available.

Specific training programs for nurses, pharmacists and personal social services personnel, already working in the health and social services, are offered.

A complete course in Primary Health Care is offered to Doctors and Nurses already working in the field and willing to improve their skills. This course follows a credit system.

More information on these courses can be found in our leaflet "Teaching activities (Activitats Docents)", available by request.

ADVISORY ACTIVITIES

IES has organized and supported committees of experts created to deal with relevant policy questions set up by the Department of Health in the fields of diabetes, endemic goiter, high blood pressure, manpower resources planning, and health care technology.

OTHER CURRENT ACTIVITIES

The IES organizes workshops, seminars and symposiums on topics relevant to the cost, distribution, efficiency and equity of the health and social services. Some of them are organized in collaboration with relevant international agencies.

1983 Health Planning (April, 1983)
Unemployment and Health (February, 1983)
Advances on the study of the origin of Cancer (April, 1983)

1984 Advisory Committee on the Program of Social Equity and Health (WHO, Euro) (October, 1983)

Symposium on Smoking and Health in the Southern European Countries (WHO, Euro) (Mach, 1984)

Seminar on Linkage Techniques in Vital Statistics (Chair: Dr. P.O. Goldblatt, OPCS London)

1985 (planned)
Health Promotion in Southern European Countries (WHO, Euro)

Health Economics and Health Services Research in Southern European Countries

Some funds are also available to support external activities such as Symposiums and Congresses organized by other institutions covering fields relevant to IES objectives.

IES staff members have also been invited to research centers, universities and institutes inside and outside of Spain.

LIBRARY, PUBLICATIONS AND INFORMATION SERVICE

The IES maintains a limited library and information service and has open access to the main library of the D.H.S.S. Access to Medline and the main international data banks are available.

The library is a member of the "C.D.B.", an association of local medical libraries which guarantees quick interlibrary loans.

The IES welcomes exchanges of documentation on publications and/or journals with other institutions.

Series of occasionally papers, readings and proceedings will be published regularly.

IES publications (1983-1984):

- ARTELLS J.J. (ed) The Economics of Social Services (in Catalan)
- ARTELLS J.J., RAMIS O. (ed) Unemployment and Health (in Catalan)
- ORIOL BOSCH A. (ed) The Reform of the Medical Educative System (in Catalan)
- Symposium on Smoking and Health in the South-european Countries (Abstracts and Lectures)

INVITED LECTURERS AND ACADEMICS INTERCHANGES

Invited lecturers and guest speakers have come from all over Europe and America. D. Black (London), E. Borgenhammer (Göteborg), A.J. Culyer (York), B. Davies (Canterbury), L. Fagin (London), A. Ginert-Sorolla (Tampa), P.O. Goldblatt (London), D. Hands (London), M. Jenicek (Montreal), K. Judge (Canterbury), M. Knapp (Canterbury), J.Y. Legare (Montreal), I. McAvinchey (Aberdeen), M. McMahon (Harvard), G. Mooney (Aberdeen), D. Schwefel (Munich), A. Sheiham (London), A. Williams (York), participated in IES activities during the 1983-1984 period.

IES staff members spend some periods in other centers or universities to improve their training. The London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (England), the HERU, University of Aberdeen (Scotland), the European Center for Social Welfare Training and Research (Austria), and the Consorci d'Informació i Documentació de Catalunya (Barcelona) have received IES staff members during the last period.

Applications of students and junior researchers willing to work within the IES range of research projects would be considered.