

WORK-SHOPS: A NEW ACADEMIC ACTIVITY IN THE DEGREE OF PHARMACY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BARCELONA



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Introduction

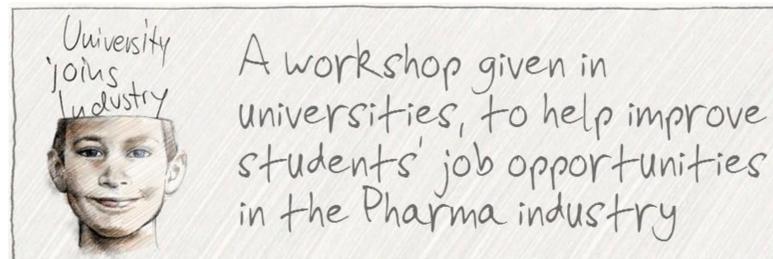
One of the main objectives and challenges of the last five years in the Faculty of Pharmacy and Food Sciences was to implement the European Higher Education Area in the Degree of Pharmacy including a period of training in external companies.

Reflecting the importance of giving students access to the widest range of work areas possible, the staff have secured the collaboration of companies working in Pharma industry.

In this context is framed the activity entitled “*University Joins Industry*”, organized by the pharmaceutical company *Galenicum* and the *Faculty of Pharmacy and Food Sciences*, for four consecutive years.

Attendees learned first-hand from renowned Pharma industry professionals in areas such as Chemical and Pharmaceutical Development, Manufacturing, Project Management, Intellectual Property, Regulatory Affairs, R&D, Tech Transfer, Clinical Trials, Quality Assurance, Quality Control and Marketing.

The opinions of the participants were collected and assessed at the end of the program and analyzed in order to improve future work-shops.



Material and Methods

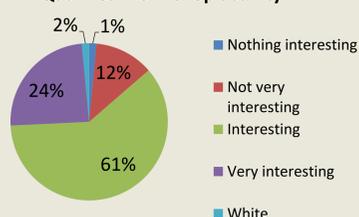
We present here the results of the activity to improve the activity in the next editions. The data resulting from the questionnaire filled in by the students related to the fulfillment of their prospects, their learning, etc. will be considered. The questionnaires we designed taking advantage of our experience in the evaluation of previous editions and making the questions and answer the most easy and clearly as possible in order to obtain the most helpful information to satisfy our queries.



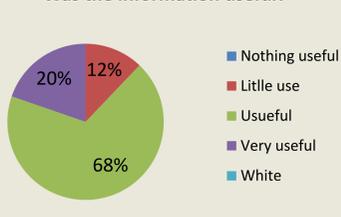
Results

Representative data of the study

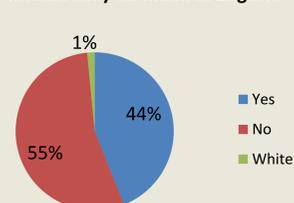
Qualifies Work-shop activity



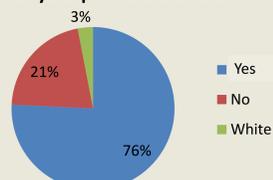
Was the information useful?



Should they be made in English?



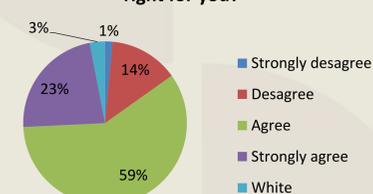
The work-shop has been interesting in order to find a position in a company or for your professional future?



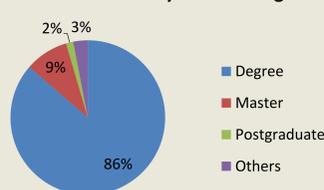
Which session did you like the most?



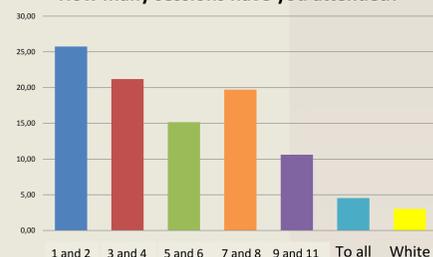
Did the duration of the sessions seem right for you?



What course are you attending?



How many sessions have you attended?



Conclusions

Specifically the Faculty of Pharmacy aims are to assure and support the education and training of the student. The ultimate goal is to create more flexible structures for boosting students training periods in unison with industry. During the last years we have celebrated several sessions to prepare them for their future: how to write the CV, the interview, etc. All these sessions are developed in the optative subject called *Passaport a la Professi3 or Passport to your job*. The work shop is one of these sessions.

The assessment of the program was very positive. Note the comments related to the importance of having sessions in English and the discussions that took place at the end of the sessions or at the break time between the speaker and the audience. The speakers were please to collect the CVs of some of the students and students to have the opportunity of having professionals to ask and to talk friendly about the pharmaceutical industry.

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