Master in Life Sciences

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Module title	Regulatory Affairs							
Code	BP4							
Degree Programme	Master of Science in Life Sciences							
Group	Bio/Pharma							
Workload	3 ECTS (90 student working hours: 42 lessons contact = 32 h; 58 h self-study)							
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Lecturers	Dr. Marc E. Pfeifer, HES-SO							
	 Industry, authority and/or consulting firm representatives 							
Entry requirements	B.Sc. in Life Sciences (e.g., Chemistry or Biotechnology); Basic knowledge of Quality							
	Management							
Learning outcomes	After completing the module, the student will be able to:							
and competences	understand the role and importance of regulatory affairs within regulated							
	industries (i.e., pharmaceutical, medical device and in vitro diagnostics)							
	apprehend how product development and manufacturing as well as associated							
	processes and milestones are interlinked with documentation deliverables							
	appreciate the relevance and high-level conception of clinical and performance							
	evaluations							
	• give support with the preparation and compilation of quality- and regulatory-							
	relevant documents							
Module contents	Role and responsibilities of regulatory affairs professionals within an organization							
	in the healthcare industries							
	• The module will contain two major – related, yet distinct – parts: 1) a drug /							
	biologics, and 2) a medical device / IVD regulatory pathway development (which							
	includes identification of applicable regulations and standards as well as							
	registration sequence for different countries in the world)							
	Changes in the regulatory landscape in Europe for medical devices and in vitro							
	diagnostics (IVD), i.e., from directives to regulations							
	 Integration of specific requirements in the quality management system (QMS) 							
	Structured communication with Regulatory Bodies and Competent Authorities							
	• Preparation of the technical documentation in preparation for CE mark and US FDA							
	approval (e.g., including preparation of verification and validation activities)							
Teaching / learning	Lectures will be given on the principles of Regulatory Affairs referencing guidelines and							
methods	standards. The seminars will include reviewing real-world case examples also							
	illustrating successful approaches as well as failures, shortcomings and other issues							
	that have occurred in the past. This course requires active participation and individuals							
	/ groups are required to develop feasible solutions for potential industry use. The							
	students during interactive exercises are coached by the experts.							
Assessment of	1. On-site written exam (multiple choice and open questions specific to groups' case							
learning outcome	studies) on the last day of the block week. (100%)							



Format	Summer school										
Timing of the	Spring semester, week 23										
module	Day of the block week	<1	1	2	3	4	5	>5			
	Contact teaching (lessons)		9	9	9	9	6				
	Self-study (hours)	48	2	2	2	2	2	0			
Venue Bibliography	examination content is only	On-site lectures in Sion. Active participation in the module and learning the examination content is only possible on site. Literature and regulatory guidelines will be provided during the course.									
Language	English										
Links to other modules		Any quality-related, analytical method developments and drug / IVD / med. device									
Comments											
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