

General presentation of the Scholars activities

Edinburgh 2002

Annual meetings for EANS scholars developed from ideas discussed in 2002 in Edinburgh, when the second group of EANS summer school students finished the third year of the summer school. One of the rationales for trying to establish annual meetings was to maintain the networks and friendships developed during the summer school. An additional rationale was a wish to support our own and each others career development as we move towards becoming more senior researchers within a wider European context.

Lund 2003

The first annual scholars' meeting took place in Lund, 2003. Around 13 people attended for a three day discussion and planning session. Discussions with the Board of EANS took place and the group presented their ideas and rationales for wanting to take an active part and being present at future EANS summer schools. The EANS Board approved the group's ideas under the condition that the future scholars should plan and organise their meetings by themselves. An annual fee of € 50 for scholars was decided upon and a scholar application form was developed (available on EANS www-page at: www.european-academy-of-nursing-science.com). The LUND group decided to give the annual scholars meetings a try for a number of years, but if the group and the activities did not grow, the initial group would dissolve. It was additionally decided that the scholars group should "develop freely" and that the scholars' activities and agendas should not be fixed but should be continuously developed by the group as more and more people joined.

Bergen 2004

The second three day scholars' meeting took place in Bergen 2004 with around ten people attending. More formal discussion took place and an agenda was set for the meeting that would take place in Manchester 2005. One scholar was invited by the EANS Board to become a part of the EANS educational committee. The committee have among other things been working to set up the syllabus for future EANS summer schools. Gunilla Borglin was elected by the meeting to represent the scholars.

Manchester 2005

The latest and the third meeting took place in Manchester. Around 20 people had applied and 16 actually attended the three day meeting. The first day started with presentations of personal and work related progress during the previous year and the afternoon consisted of lectures by Professor Karen Luker. On the second day, the first 'Scientific Meeting for EANS Scholars' took place where five Scholars gave very interesting presentations of their research. On the third and final day the Scholars held a "formal" planning meeting.