

# fMRI Acquisition and Analyses Course: FAQ

## **When is the next fMRI Image Acquisition and Analyses Course?**

January 10 - 12, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

## **Where will the conference be held?**

It will be held in the Large Conference Room of The Mind Research Network (MRN).  
1101 Yale Blvd. NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87106

## **Where can I find information about the conference?**

This information is online at: <http://www.mrn.org/education-outreach/courses-and-events/>

## **Is there a way to download a PDF or WORD version or any format of the agenda?**

Yes, the agenda is available at: <http://www.mrn.org/education-outreach/courses-and-events/>

## **I only want to come to the conference for a day, is there a daily fee?**

No, you must pay the full registration fee to attend any of the sessions.

## **How many people will be at the conference?**

Although final numbers have not yet been confirmed, we plan to host between 20 to 30 attendees.

## **Do I need to have worked with fMRI data before attending?**

No, although having dealt with the data before may be helpful, it is not a necessity. The course is intended to teach all those interested in fMRI imaging whether novices or experts.

## **I have registered and paid my fee but now unable to attend. What is your cancellation policy?**

If notice of cancellation is provided more than 30 days prior to the first day of the course, refunds may be given at the instructors' discretion. If cancellation is provided within 30 days of the first day of the course, a refund will not be given but the tuition can be applied to a future course.

## **What should I bring to the conference?**

All you need to bring is a laptop. We will provide all other materials needed including food, transportation (if staying at the recommended hotel), a USB, and a binder of all course materials.

## **What is the dress code?**

There is no specific dress code but business casual attire is encouraged.

## **I'm not from Albuquerque, where should I stay?**

Sheraton Albuquerque Airport Hotel  
2910 Yale Blvd. SE  
Albuquerque, NM 87106  
(888) 625-4937

<http://www.sheratonalbuquerqueairport.com/>

We have a negotiated discounted rate with the Sheraton Albuquerque Airport Hotel. To reserve a discounted room, please book online or call the number above and ask for the Lovelace Rate Code: **LHP**. The hotel is 3.6 miles/9 minutes away from MRN.

**Is transportation to and from the conference included, or do I need to rent a car?**

It is not necessary to rent a car. MRN and Sheraton will work together to transport all participants to and from the conference each morning/evening; transportation is only provided by Sheraton. Transportation to the social outing will be included. Participants staying at other locations are fully responsible for their own transportation. Uber and Lyft are available in Albuquerque and can be an economical option.

**What meals are included with a conference registration?**

Registration includes a light continental breakfast, lunch, snacks and coffee throughout the day. Dinner is not included. On the first night of the conference, we will provide all attendees with the option to attend a social outing that includes appetizers and drinks (January 10).

**Are vegetarian, gluten-free, or vegan meals available?**

Yes, specialty meals are available. However, we ask those with dietary restrictions to let us know at least a week before the conference begins (January 3), to arrange with the caterer. Please be sure to include dietary restrictions in your answer to the link below:

[https://docs.google.com/a/mrn.org/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScfBleRNPVCQMCy82F08IY0vs35K\\_9RYxbORASStsPwLjplMw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/a/mrn.org/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScfBleRNPVCQMCy82F08IY0vs35K_9RYxbORASStsPwLjplMw/viewform)

**If I do not attend the social outing the first evening after the course, do I get a price break on registration fees?** No, there is no cost for the social outing in our course registration fee.

Attendance is optional, however, it is a great networking opportunity to visit with the instructors and meet the other course attendees who are working in the area of fMRI. The instructors treat all attendees to one drink and appetizers.

**Will I have any free time?**

The conference begins promptly at 8:00 a.m. and dismissed at 6:00 p.m. The first night we encourage our guests to attend the social outing. The rest of the evenings are free to your discretion.

**What can we do during our free time?**

Albuquerque has a number of entertainment options. If feeling brave, try some red or green chile in old town (7.7 miles/15 minutes from hotel); if feeling lavish, shop in Uptown (8.5 miles/12 minutes from hotel); or, if thirsty, grab a drink in Nob Hill near the University of New Mexico (3.3 miles/10 minutes from hotel).

*If you have any additional questions, concerns, or comments, please contact us:*

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