

Postgraduate Study Master of Public Health in International Health

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School of Public Health and Community Medicine



About the Master of Public Health in International Health

The School of Public Health and Community Medicine at the University of New South Wales has well established expertise in international health. The School offers a specialisation stream in International Health within the Master of Public Health (MPH) program to reflect the growing importance of global health and international health, and the range of experts located within the School.

Stream objectives

International and global health is an increasingly important component of public health. This reflects the widespread concern to promote achievement of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) which includes targets related to controlling HIV and AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria, and improving child survival and maternal health. All the other MDGs are also significant determinants of health. Given the recent global economic crisis, concerns with climate change, global expansion of the tobacco and fast food industries, and recognition that communicable diseases know no boundaries, global health issues are major priorities attracting interest at the highest political levels.

This stream aims to ensure that participants are familiar with the global distribution of health and disease, and know about the public health interventions available to tackle them, and understand their social and economic determinants. Students may undertake a small-scale research project, which may be in the form of a

case study, a program evaluation or a report on field experience. This is an opportunity to examine issues in-depth and to build on your networks and skills. The project is examined in relation to the international literature and context within the country and intervention concerned. Students are strongly encouraged to publish one or more peer-reviewed papers based on this research.

Who should do this stream?

This program is aimed at students from developing countries providing them with skills and knowledge to address key health issues in their home countries, as well as local students enabling them to contribute effectively to international health and development. Undertaking this specialisation will enable you to access leading expertise in this important field.

Mode of delivery

This program can be taken either full-time or part-time. Courses are offered internally on campus with face-to-face teaching, or externally by distance mode using a combination of intensive workshops and online teaching. Workshops are held on campus in February, July and November

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STREAM STRUCTURE

Students must complete the eight courses listed below:

THREE MPH CORE COURSES:

PHCM9041 Foundations in Public Health & Health Care Systems

PHCM9498 Epidemiology & Statistics for Public Health

PHCM9012 Health Promotion & Social Perspectives of Health

ONE STREAM-DEFINING COURSE:

PHCM9605 International Health

THREE COURSES FROM RECOMMENDED INTERNATIONAL HEALTH ELECTIVES:

PHCM9010 Community Development

PHCM9108 Program Design & Evaluation

PHCM9381 Policy Studies

PHCM9471 Comparative Health Care Systems

PHCM9606 Reproductive, Maternal & Child Health

PHCM9612 Environmental Health

PHCM9621 HIV/AIDS: Australian and International Responses

PHCM9622 The Global HIV Epidemic: Social Impacts & Aspects

PHCM9662 Current Debates in International Health: Health Aspects of Emergencies, Conflict and Disasters

PHCM9701 Health Leadership & Workforce Management

PHCM9782 Current Challenges in Infectious Diseases

PHCM9783 Communicable Disease Control in Humanitarian Emergencies and Disasters

PHCM9784 Tropical Disease Control

ONE MORE ELECTIVE OR PROJECT:

PHCM9148 Project in International Health Related Topic