

What our students say...

MSc Public Health (General Stream)

Victoria Gill, Canada

One outstanding component of the course for me was the ability to engage hands on with material in seminars. I have always felt both supported and encouraged which allowed me to challenge myself academically and to push my boundaries into subject areas I was previously unfamiliar with.

MSc Health Policy, Planning & Financing

Murallitharan Munismay, Malaysia

My entire career has been redefined by my time here at the School: from a clinician, I have decided to move into driving and developing health policy in developing countries. I will bring to my job the current, cutting-edge research and analytical skills acquired here at the School; and the strong network of colleagues and classmates who will always be ready to support and strengthen my work.

MSc Public Health for Development

Marie-Claire Gwayi-Chore, Kenya

The quality of teaching at the School has been amazing but more than that, the fact that I can easily approach some of the most internationally renowned experts in the field and have a casual chat about their work has been very impressive. Every single staff member I have approached has been very welcoming and has shown genuine interest in answering questions and helping me navigate classroom knowledge and translating that into real-life skills.

MSc Global Health Policy (Distance Learning)

Stefan Werner Weber, Switzerland

I have been working in the pharmaceutical industry for 10 years but I always felt that I was only half the leader I wanted to be because I lacked a solid understanding of those factors that shape global health. Studying at the School by distance learning is much more engaging than when I studied business administration. Today we have videos, podcasts and most importantly very well-moderated, high-quality discussions among students and staff through the online forum.

The London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine is an internationally renowned centre for research and postgraduate education in public and global health, with 4,000 students and more than 1,000 staff working in over 100 countries. The School is highly ranked in a number of university league tables, including being named top in Europe for impact (Leiden Ranking, 2016) and the world's leading research focused graduate School (Thomson Reuters / Times Higher Education).

Our mission is to improve health and health equity in the UK and worldwide; working in partnership to achieve excellence in public and global health research, education and translation of knowledge into policy and practice.

General Information

All the MSc programmes detailed here are offered on a modular basis to provide maximum opportunity for student choice. A wider range of modules is also available within these programmes. Individual modules can also be studied as short courses.

How to Apply

Studying in London

Applications should be made online via the relevant programme or module webpage at www.lshtm.ac.uk/study

Studying by distance learning

Applications should be made online to University of London International Programmes at www.londoninternational.ac.uk

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Teaching Health Systems & Health Economics

Health systems and health economics are included in many of the School's taught programmes, including MScs based in London and MScs, PG Diplomas and PG Certificates offered through distance learning.

"Key to our teaching is the use of our research and policy experience within our teaching materials, which draw on a wide range of expertise including health economics, health systems, social anthropology, political science and epidemiology."

Professor Catherine Goodman
Department of Global Health & Development

Improving health worldwide

MSc Health Policy, Planning & Financing

This programme aims to develop critical analysis of issues within health policy, planning and financing, and to enable students to devise appropriate health policy responses. Students come from a wide range of backgrounds. This is a joint programme provided by the School and the London School of Economics & Political Science (LSE). The programme provides training relevant to countries at all levels of development, although participants are able to specialise.

Graduates enter careers in global health and national health policy and planning, research, advisory or advocacy roles in governments and international agencies.

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MSc Public Health for Development

This programme equips students with skills needed to appreciate and analyse the state of public health in low- and middle-income countries and to design and evaluate actions to address public health concerns. We consider public health and the provision of health services from a multidisciplinary perspective.

Students on this programme have substantial experience of planning or implementing public health programmes, of teaching or research in low-income countries. We build on this experience throughout the year and emphasise the importance of research and evidence in public health.

Graduates from this programme work in global health, health service management, in health programmes in low-income countries, in international and national NGOs, and in research.

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MSc Public Health

This programme covers the whole breadth of public and global health, allowing students to follow a general (Public Health) stream or to focus on one of five other specific streams: Health Economics; Environment & Health; Health Promotion; Health Services Management; and Health Services Research.

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Further information about Master's:

www.lshtm.ac.uk/study/masters

Distance Learning

Distance learning is an ideal option for individuals who are unable to come to London for an extended period and require more flexibility. Our distance learning programmes give students the opportunity to study for a PG Certificate, PG Diploma or MSc.

Public Health (PG Certificate, PG Diploma, MSc)

These programmes provide students with the knowledge and skills to contribute to the improved health of populations through the promotion of health and prevention of diseases; the development and evaluation of care practices; and the investigation and control of environmental threats to health. Students are instructed in the development, use and critical evaluation of conceptual models, evidence, methods of analysis, and practical interventions.

Similar to the London-based programme, the distance learning MSc has four streams: General (Public Health); Environment & Health; Health Promotion; and Health Services Management.

By the end of these programmes, students should be able to demonstrate their ability to apply knowledge of the core disciplines of public health (statistics, epidemiology, health economics, and social research) to real world health problems.

Further information:

www.lshtm.ac.uk/study/masters/dmsph.html

Global Health Policy (PG Certificate, PG Diploma, MSc)

These programmes provide students with an in-depth understanding of the planning and delivery of policy responses to global health concerns. They focus on approaches to effective policy-making which contributes to the protection and promotion of population health in a globalising world, at both national and transnational levels.

Students should attain a solid foundation in theories and practices concerned with global health policy, with a focus on understanding institutional structures and governance mechanisms that address global health issues.

The programmes are aimed at: those seeking positions as policy advisors, policy makers or policy analysts in national, regional or international health organisations, research institutions, NGOs and private consultancies; and those currently working in public health roles who seek a better understanding of how health policy processes work and can best be influenced.

Further information:

www.lshtm.ac.uk/study/masters/pg_ghp.html

Key modules for studying Health Systems and Health Economics

Individual modules enable participants to refresh their skills and keep in touch with the latest research and knowledge underlying efforts to improve health systems.

Introduction to Health Economics

Designed for non-economists, this module introduces students to economic approaches used in public health and the scope and contribution of health economics.

Economic Analysis for Health Policy

Strengthens students' understanding of health care markets, and the role of government intervention.

Health Systems

Draws on a variety of disciplinary perspectives to analyse health systems in developed and developing countries and to understand the implications of different approaches to system design for access, quality and equity.

Health Policy, Process and Power

Reviews theoretical approaches and concepts used in policy analysis, including analysis of the political system, the contextual factors that influence policy change, the actors involved in policy making, and how power and influence operate in the policy sphere.

Economic Evaluation

Develops students' understanding of and ability to apply current methods in analysing the cost-effectiveness of health-related interventions.

Health Care Evaluation

Describes and illustrates the range of methods which can be used to evaluate health services.

The Economics of Global Health Policy

Introduces students to economic concepts, practice and evidence concerning the global economy and its relation to global health. Only available by distance learning.

History and Health

Enables students to employ historical perspectives in the critical evaluation of issues in public health, global health, health systems and health services, in both developed and developing countries.

Further information about individual modules:

www.lshtm.ac.uk/study/cpd