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### Foreword from the Director

"The world is facing many challenges. Climate change, pandemics, urbanisation, major demographic shifts, migration, increased poverty, and the continuing threat of endemic infectious diseases are shifting priorities in human health and new threats are emerging."

As a world leading public health university that leads innovative research, translates that research into improved health, and educates the next generation, the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine (LSHTM) has a hugely valuable role to play.

Our community of staff, students and alumni are working together to make a shared and vital contribution to addressing major health inequities and challenges. Key to continued success is creating a truly inclusive environment for all members of our community to thrive and to maximise their potential.

This is a unique community dedicated to improving health worldwide. I am delighted to welcome you.

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Cover image: Aquarium fish by Vadim Cherenko, Enterobacteriaceae Bacteria Family by ktsimage.

The pathogen Shigella is one of the most common causes of bacterial diarrhoeal deaths globally and despite many efforts to develop a vaccine, most fail to demonstrate long-lasting effects in clinical trials or to protect against all of the different serotypes. Drawing on our expertise in infectious diseases, researchers from LSHTM have been studying whether it is possible to train immune cells not normally stimulated by vaccines to destroy this pathogen. Their innovative research has found that the zebrafish immune systems (who share over 70% of human genes) can be trained to fight Shigella – a novel development in the protection of humans from this deadly pathogen.
Why LSHTM?

#1 for Research Impact in the UK (Research Excellence Framework 2021)

#1 for % of research published by female authors in the UK (CWTS Leiden Ranking 2023)

#2 for Public, Environmental and Occupational Health in the world (US News Best Global Universities Subject Ranking 2022)

#3 for Public Health in the world (Shanghai Ranking’s Global Ranking of Academic Subjects 2023)

#4 for Infectious Diseases in the world (US News Best Global Universities Subject Ranking 2022)

#24 for Medicine in the world (QS World University Rankings by Subject 2024)

93% of public health research is world leading or internationally excellent (Research Excellence Framework 2021)

87% of clinical medicine research is world leading or internationally excellent (Research Excellence Framework 2021)

125 years of health innovation

£200 million annual research income

Student Experience

Even though the course is taught by distance learning, the online learning community is very supportive, with a range of forums that questions can be asked on - with prompt replies from both peers and teaching staff.

Rhiannon – UK
Clinical Trials by Distance Learning

I applied to LSHTM because it is one of the only universities where Global Health Policy is offered with an in-depth critical framework, in addition to distance learning, which gives the flexibility for work, study and life balance. I have acquired new knowledge as the course progresses and I am utilising some of this information already in my daily work in my local community.

Ravi – Trinidad and Tobago
Global Health Policy by Distance Learning

LSHTM’s reputation in the global health space and greater academic world is one of the greatest values and benefits. The degree has complemented my global career and further generates opportunities to work on large scale global health supply chains.

Alyssa – USA
Public Health by Distance Learning
Our Global Student Community

We have over 3,400 students from all over the world studying a distance learning programme with LSHTM.

Did you know? LSHTM has over 34,500 alumni in more than 190 countries from across its in person and distance learning programmes.
Why Distance Learning?

Distance learning is an ideal option if you are unable to study in London for an extended period of time. Our programmes mean you can study with LSHTM from anywhere in the world, over several years if needed, at times that fit in with your other commitments.

Flexibility – Our distance learning programmes allow you to study independently and to fit in with your other commitments, subject to some deadlines. You have up to five years to complete your programme.

Study anywhere in the world – Enhance your experience with a prestigious qualification no matter where you are based.

Blended learning – After completing a minimum number of core modules, you may choose to study up to two elective modules from our intensive master’s degrees in place of distance learning modules.

Quality of learning and resources – Our distance learning programmes are developed by academic staff at LSHTM, to the same standard and quality as on-campus programmes. You will benefit from comprehensive online resources and study materials, written specifically for the programmes by subject experts.

Career progression – Our programmes enable you to continue building your career momentum while gaining the knowledge and skills for future opportunities.

Pay as you study – You can pay for what you plan to study each year at the point of registration rather than paying the whole fee up-front if preferred, which allows you to spread the cost over the lifetime of your programme.

LSHTM and University of London

Our distance learning programmes are run in collaboration with the University of London, a federation of 17 independent member institutions and universities, of which LSHTM is one.

Who does what?
The course content, teaching and assessment are developed by academic staff at LSHTM, while the University of London manages administrative matters including registration, distribution of materials and tuition fee payments. Applications must be made through the University of London, too.

Quality of teaching
LSHTM’s distance learning programmes aim to provide health practitioners, clinicians, policy-makers, scientists and recent graduates with a world-class qualification in public and global health.

These programmes are developed to the same high standard as our on-campus programmes and, as a result, the final certification you will receive as a distance learning graduate is the same as for an on-campus student.

Your qualification
When you graduate, your prestigious University of London award will be valued globally and help you to pursue sought-after careers in health-related fields. On graduation, you will join a distinguished list of University of London alumni from Nobel prize-winners to leaders in national and regional governments.
The Distance Learning Experience

Studying by distance learning gives students access to an online global community and enables them to study wherever they are.

How you study
Our distance learning programmes are predominantly online and largely self-directed study to enable you to study independently and at times convenient to you. You’ll have access to tutorial support and the ability to interact with other students and form study groups throughout the study year via the discussions in our virtual learning environment, Moodle.

The study year
The study year runs from the beginning of October through to the June examinations. Some students also study between June and September with extended tutorial support (e.g. those undertaking projects, the Clinical Trials integrating report, or two of the Epidemiology modules). Deadlines for submission of coursework vary per programme but are usually in February, March, May, and September.

Time commitment
To complete in the minimum period (one year for the postgraduate certificate, and two years for the postgraduate diploma or master’s) you should be prepared to study for 15–25 hours per week throughout the study year. Most students take between three and five years to complete their master’s by distance learning.

Study materials
You receive access to LSHTM’s virtual learning environment, Moodle, from the beginning of October. Most of your study materials and resources are provided here. For some modules you receive printed study materials and/or additional computer software such as Stata. These resources guide your self-study and indicate how and where you can obtain further materials and support to enhance your studies.

Module information
Module specification documents provide full details of the content, learning objectives, study materials and method of assessment of each module, plus any specific requirements.

Assessment
This varies per module, but typically includes a combination of unseen written examination papers and written assignments. Examinations take place once a year in June.

Support and feedback
Module tutors answer your queries and promote discussion, as well as providing written feedback and advice on formative and assessed work. If you undertake a project, you are assigned a personal supervisor who will offer support. We encourage you to engage in academic discussions with tutors and fellow students through the online discussion forums, some of which may be held live. You also receive access to past examination papers, examiners’ reports and previous years’ project reports.

Computer requirements
You will need a computer and regular access to the internet to view your learning materials (including online library resources), participate in discussion forums and submit assignments. You will need basic software, such as a PDF reader, and the ability to store electronic documents.

Credit framework
LSHTM awards credits for successfully completed modules and projects/integrating reports. These are consistent with the English international entry requirement and European Credit System (ECTS).

To obtain a qualification, the following credits must be gained:

- PG Certificate – 60 UK (30 ECTS) credits
- PG Diploma – 120 UK (60 ECTS) credits
- MSc – 180 UK (90 ECTS) credits

Blended learning
Once you have completed a minimum number of compulsory core modules, you may be able to substitute up to two elective modules from our intensive programmes in place of distance learning modules. Where available, modules run for 2.5 days per week over a five-week period. If you select this option, you must pay additional module fees and you may be required to arrange your own travel and accommodation.
Clinical Trials

From managing heart failure to supporting people with HIV, clinical trials make a difference to communities across the globe. Study Clinical Trials and develop the skills to save lives and shape the future of health.

We were one of first universities in the UK to create a distance learning programme focused on clinical trials. With extensive expertise in this area and academics in every corner of the globe, we’ll share best practices and shape the future of health.

What you will learn
- Explore the issues involved in the design, conduct, analysis and interpretation of randomised controlled trials of health interventions.
- Understand what happens before a trial – review the literature to see what’s been done before and whether it’s reliable.
- Practise reporting your findings in a way that is transparent, accurate and helps others apply your results to the real world.
- Become confident handling statistics for clinical trials.
- Pick optional modules to expand your interests in this area or choose topics from other areas of specialism in the School.
- Develop the skills you need to excel in your clinical trials career and make a difference to people’s lives globally.

Who is it for?
Because this programme is distance learning, students join us from across the globe. Wherever you’re living in the world, the content will be relevant to you – whether you are working in a low-, middle- or high-income country.

Many of our students are working in this area already and are eager to take their skills to the next level. If that describes you, we’ll help you expand your role in the design, management, analysis and reporting of clinical trials.

Structure
- PG Certificate: 4 compulsory core modules
- PG Diploma: 8 modules (4 compulsory core + 4 elective modules)
- MSc: 11 modules (4 compulsory core + 5 elective + 2 compulsory modules).

Study materials
The Clinical Trials modules are delivered solely online. The study materials comprise interactive sessions supported by discussion forums, readings and additional resources provided via our virtual learning environment Moodle. Statistical software (Stata) is supplied.

Entry requirements
All applicants are required to have:
- Either a first or second class honours degree, or the equivalent, from a university or other institution acceptable to the University of London, in a subject appropriate to the programme;
- Or an appropriate professional or technical qualification, together with at least three years’ relevant experience, which satisfies the University as a qualification equivalent to a second class honours degree. All applications in this category will be considered on an individual basis.

Applicants who do not satisfy the entrance requirements may still be admitted at the discretion of LSHTM on the basis of their academic qualifications, work experience and references.

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Module specifications
To view the module specifications, please visit lshtm.ac.uk/study/modules-dl

Recommended modules selection group
- CTM101 Fundamentals in Epidemiology
- EPM301 Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases
- EPM302 Modelling and the Dynamics of Infectious Diseases
- EPM304 Advanced Statistical Methods in Epidemiology
- EPM307 Global Epidemiology of Non-Communicable Diseases
- GHM201 Health Systems
- IDM201 Bacterial Infections
- IDM202 Nutrition and Infection
- IDM203 Parasitology
- IDM204 Viral Infections
- IDM205 Healthcare-Associated Infection
- IDM213 Immunology of Infection and Vaccines
- IDM215 Water, Sanitation and Hygiene
- IDM301 Epidemiology and Control of Infectious Diseases
- IDM501 HIV
- IDM502 Tuberculosis
- IDM503 Malaria
- PHM201 Health Decision Science
- PHM203 Economic Analysis for Health Policy
- PHM204 Economic Evaluation
- PHM205 Environmental Epidemiology
- PHM206 Environmental Health Policy
- PHM207 Health Care Evaluation
- PHM209 Globalisation and Health
- PHM210 Managing Health Services
- PHM211 Medical Anthropology in Public Health
- PHM212 Organisational Management
- PHM213 Principles & Practice of Health Promotion
- PHM214 Conflict and Health
- PHM215 History and Health
- PHM216 Sexual Health
- PHM217 Organisational Management
- PHM218 Applied Communicable Disease Control
- PHM219 Evaluation of Public Health Interventions

Key information:
- Academic queries: ctsupport@lshtm.ac.uk
- General enquiries: london.ac.uk/contact-us
- Fees Further details about LSHTM’s tuition fees, including the Tuition Fees Policy, can be found on our website.

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Epidemiology

Recent years have raised the profile of epidemiologists. However, pandemics are just one of the health challenges facing society. Cancer rates are also soaring. And so are other non-communicable diseases like diabetes.

Study Epidemiology by distance learning and you’ll benefit from our expertise in everything from infectious outbreaks to cancer survival, as well as from our industry links with organisations. While many of our academics are based here in London, our academic community spans high, middle- and low-income settings around the world.

What you will learn
- Explore the role of epidemiology and its contribution to other health-related disciplines.
- Learn how to choose appropriate epidemiologic designs and to develop detailed study protocols.
- Discover how to manage clinical health data, carry out appropriate statistical analysis, and rigorously assess results of studies.
- Discuss how to investigate the causes of health conditions and how to predict outbreaks.
- Understand how to review research findings in a broader policy context.

Who is it for?
We've designed this course for anyone with an interest in using data and research to improve public health.

Some of our students are clinicians while others work in non-governmental organisations who want formal training to support the work they do. However, we have students join us from a whole host of backgrounds who want to explore epidemiology.

Because this programme is flexible and your learning is self-directed, you can balance studying with your other commitments. Students tell us they can apply skills they learn from the course straight away.

Structure
- PG Certificate: 4 compulsory core modules
- PG Diploma: 8 modules (4 compulsory core + 2 additional compulsory + 2 elective modules)
- MSc: 9 modules (4 compulsory core modules + 2 additional compulsory + 3 elective modules) + a project report and qualifying examination paper.

Study materials
The Epidemiology modules are delivered online through our virtual learning environment, Moodle. The study materials are mainly in the form of interactive computer sessions, while some modules use text-based materials such as study guides. A range of other study resources, including readings from the online library and statistical software (Stata) are also provided. Support is provided primarily through discussion forums and personalised assignment feedback.

Entry requirements
All applicants are required to have:
- A first or second class honours degree or equivalent, from a university or other institution acceptable to the University of London, in health-related disciplines or in statistics or another appropriate subject. Work experience in a health sciences or healthcare setting is desirable but not essential;
- Applicants with an appropriate professional or technical qualification in a health-related field, which satisfies the University as a qualification equivalent to a second class honours degree, together with at least three years’ relevant experience, may also be considered on an individual basis.

Applicants who do not satisfy the entrance requirements may still be admitted at the discretion of LSHTM on the basis of their academic qualifications, work experience and references.

Module specifications
To view the module specifications, please visit lshtm.ac.uk/study/modules-di

Note that restrictions and prerequisites may apply to some of the modules.

Key information:
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- General enquiries: london.ac.uk/contact-us
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Global Health Policy

Humanity is faced with many health-related challenges – non-communicable diseases, new and existing pathogens, environmental degradation, political and economic instability, conflict.

These increasingly transcend national boundaries. Embracing the values of health equity, universal health coverage, and the improvement of health worldwide, you can join these efforts when you study with us.

Study Global Health Policy by distance learning and you’ll benefit from our multidisciplinary expertise in areas including public health, epidemiology, health economics and political science. You will have an opportunity to apply this knowledge to issues such as health systems, environmental health and infectious disease, with the support of academics who are active global researchers and policy influencers.

What you will learn
- Sharpen your knowledge of key issues, core economic and political concepts affecting global health.
- Apply your knowledge of politics and economics to real-world global health policy issues.
- Discover the global nature of the health threats and challenges posed by environmental change.
- Develop analytical skills to apply concepts to practical challenges and research issues facing global health policymaking.
- Grow your ability to analyse and critically discuss complex health policy questions.

Who is it for?
We’ve designed this course for anyone with an interest in understanding and impacting policymaking or for those who are motivated to analyse the content and implications of health policy and associated politics on their own professional field.

Doctors, hospital managers, political scientists, social science graduates, those already working for industry or local and national governments, and civil society organisations - the course appeals to a range of professionals with both clinical and non-clinical backgrounds. You’ll be keen to understand how and why policies are made and what influence you might be able to exert on the process of policymaking and the content of policies.

Having built up skills in a range of key topics, you’ll finish the course ready to progress your career or assume new positions related to global health policy in national, regional or global health organisations. Or perhaps you’ll influence health related research institutions, non-governmental organisations or private consultancies.

Structure
- PG Certificate: 4 compulsory core modules
- PG Diploma: 8 modules (4 compulsory core + 4 elective modules)
- MSc: 10 modules (4 compulsory core + 5 elective modules + project) OR 12 modules (4 compulsory core + 8 elective modules).

Elective modules (PG Diploma and MSc)
- CTM203 Project Management and Research Coordination
- CTM204 Regulatory Affairs, Good Clinical Practice and Ethics
- CTM205 Data Management
- EPM101 Fundamentals of Epidemiology
- EPM307 Global Epidemiology of Non-Communicable Diseases
- GHM201 Health Systems
- GHM202 Global Mental Health
- GHM203 Research Design and Methods for the Analysis of Global Health Policy
- GHM204 Law and Global Health Policy
- GHM300 Project Module (MSc only)
- IDM202 Nutrition and Infection
- IDM213 Immunology of Infection and Vaccines
- IDM301 Epidemiology and Control of Infectious Diseases
- IDM501 HIV
- IDM502 Tuberculosis
- IDM503 Malaria

Key information:
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Health in Humanitarian Crises

As armed conflicts persist and natural disasters are intensified by climate change, addressing the needs and challenges of vulnerable, displaced people in complex emergencies is a global priority.

Gain the practical humanitarian skills and operational expertise you need to improve health in fragile and crisis-affected communities.

What you will learn

- Explore the humanitarian project cycle, including ethical considerations, policy issues, and global response architecture.
- Develop strong evidence-based decision-making skills for effective crisis response.
- Build on your critical analysis and evaluation skills to confidently gather critical information, assess and prioritise needs, design programmes and monitor intervention effectiveness.
- Apply a decolonial lens to understand how historical roots impact humanitarian ethics, political economy, and current barriers.
- Strengthen professional skills in problem-solving, time management, and written and verbal communication.
- Choose elective topics to complement the core course, that matter most to you and your career, from global mental health to medical anthropology.

Who is it for?

You might be a policy maker or researcher looking to deepen your understanding of humanitarian issues. Perhaps you’re already delivering health projects within a crisis-affected community, wanting to progress to a global leadership role. Or maybe you’re a graduate who is passionate about working in a humanitarian setting.

Diversity is important in a humanitarian response. Our course and our student body reflect that. Study alongside peers from a range of backgrounds and choose to complete either a Certificate, Diploma or MSc.

We created this course to give you the skills to hit the ground running in humanitarian response as well as to progress to leadership positions at an organisational or national level. The MSc qualification also provides a strong foundation for pursuing a PhD or Doctorate in public health.

Structure

- PG Certificate: 4 compulsory core modules
- PG Diploma: 8 modules (4 compulsory core + 1 additional compulsory + 3 elective modules)
- MSc: 8 modules (4 compulsory core + 1 additional compulsory + 3 elective modules) - a project report.

Entry requirements

All applicants are required to have:

- Either a first or second class honours degree, or the equivalent, in a relevant subject from an acceptable institution;
- Or an appropriate professional or technical qualification, plus three years’ relevant experience.

Applicants who do not satisfy the entrance requirements may still be admitted at the discretion of LSHTM on the basis of their academic qualifications, work experience and references.

Modules

Compulsory core modules (PG Certificate, PG Diploma and MSc)
- IDM101 Principles of Biostatistics and Epidemiology
- PHM214 Conflict and Health
- HHM101 Public Health Information in Humanitarian Crises
- HHM102 Design and Planning of Humanitarian Health Projects

Additional compulsory module (PG Diploma and MSc)
- HHM201 Management and Evaluation of Humanitarian Health Projects

Elective modules (PG Diploma and MSc)
- GHM102 The Politics of Global Health Policy
- GHM104 Issues in Global Health Policy
- GHM202 Global Mental Health
- IDM104 Control of Infectious Diseases
- IDM202 Nutrition and Infection
- IDM215 Water, Sanitation and Hygiene
- IDM301 Epidemiology and Control of Infectious Diseases
- PHM204 Economic Evaluation
- PHM211 Medical Anthropology in Public Health

Project module (MSc only)
- HHM300 Project Report

Module specifications

To view the module specifications, please visit lshtm.ac.uk/study/modules-dl

Note that restrictions and prerequisites may apply to some of the modules.

Key information:

Academic queries: HHCsupport@lshtm.ac.uk
General enquiries: london.ac.uk/contact-us

For the most up-to-date programme information and entry requirements, visit the programme webpage.
Infectious Diseases

Infectious diseases are a global threat. There are new emergent and re-emergent pathogens identified every year.

With epidemics and outbreaks like Ebola and Dengue virus often making headlines, and COVID demonstrating an unprecedented speed of worldwide spread, it’s never been more important to stay ahead of the curve to save lives.

What you will learn

- Identify how the basic principles of biology, biostatistics, epidemiology and public health apply to the control of infectious diseases.
- Build your specialism within the general area of infectious diseases, and look at infectious diseases in various contexts such as healthcare settings, nutrition and water and sanitation.
- Develop your knowledge of research methods and increase your critical and evaluation skills to apply independent scientific judgement.
- Study the current issues that dictate the direction of research in infectious diseases.
- Find out how to apply your knowledge to design control programmes and solve complex problems.

Who is it for?

Medics, nurses, pharmacists, research scientists, medical journalists – this course is perfect for anyone with a scientific or medical degree who’s keen to grow expertise in this rapidly evolving field. Or perhaps you don’t have a relevant degree but have relevant technical, lab or clinical experience, and you’re looking to develop new knowledge in infectious diseases.

Our students have varied career ambitions. Some are promoted within their field, while others want to launch their career in a different direction, such as infectious disease control. You’ll also be able to progress to a higher research degree in science, public health or medicine if you complete the full MSc.

Whatever you want to do next, you’ll graduate with a wide variety of roles anywhere in the world.

Structure

- PG Certificate: 4 compulsory core modules
- PG Diploma: 8 modules (4 compulsory core + 4 elective modules)
- MSc: 9 modules (4 compulsory core + 5 elective modules) + a project report OR 12 modules (4 compulsory core + 8 elective modules).

Study materials

The Infectious Diseases modules are primarily delivered using study guides that introduce each topic in the form of lessons, activities and self-assessment questions. The guides include tools to aid development of the skills of information search, comprehension and analysis and the generation of original and thoughtful assignments. Students are encouraged to communicate with tutors and fellow students via discussion forums in our virtual learning environment, Moodle.

Entry requirements

All applicants are required to have a first or second class honours degree or the equivalent, from a university or other institution acceptable to the University of London, in a scientific subject (e.g. biology, medicine, nursing, dentistry, veterinary science, pharmacy) or in another scientific discipline which has, in the opinion of the University, included suitable preliminary training.

Applicants with an appropriate technical qualification and work experience will also be considered.

Applicants who do not satisfy the entrance requirements may still be admitted at the discretion of LSHTM on the basis of their academic qualifications, work experience and references.

Module specifications

To view the module specifications, please visit lshtm.ac.uk/study/modules-dl

Note that restrictions and prerequisites may apply to some of the modules.

Key information:

College of Healthcare and Medicine: lshtm.ac.uk/study/healthcare-and-medicine

Academic queries: distance@lshtm.ac.uk

General enquiries: london.ac.uk/contact-us

Find out more

For the most up-to-date programme information and entry requirements, visit the programme webpage.
Public Health

In these rapidly changing times, preventing disease, improving our health, and reducing health inequality will depend on a broad range of people and expertise.

The Public Health distance learning programme reflects this, offering an unparalleled number of specialised modules, designed to help you become a catalyst for change in your area of interest.

What you will learn
- Gain a comprehensive understanding of the wider determinants of health and the breadth of factors that contribute to global health.
- Develop critical thinking skills to confidently analyse evidence, question assumptions, and shape innovative approaches.
- Learn how to systematically approach problems and navigate through possible solutions and theories with confidence.
- If taking the MSc, you will have the option to follow the General Stream or to focus on the area that matters most to you and your career plan and follow the Environment & Health, Health Economics, Health Promotion, or Health Services Management stream.

Who is it for?
This course meets a wide variety of professional and academic needs. Perhaps you’re already working in public health and need to strengthen your epidemiology skills to get to the next stage of your career. Maybe you’ve been working in an underfunded health service and want to move into a policy where you can drive important changes. Or maybe you’ve witnessed the rise in preventable illnesses and you’re keen to move to an influential position where you can serve the population more effectively.

This programme is open to a wide range of graduates, with at least one year’s relevant work experience. We encourage you to use insights from your own experience to tailor the course to meet your career goals.

What you will learn
- Gain a comprehensive understanding of the wider determinants of health and the breadth of factors that contribute to global health.
- Develop critical thinking skills to confidently analyse evidence, question assumptions, and shape innovative approaches.
- Learn how to systematically approach problems and navigate through possible solutions and theories with confidence.
- If taking the MSc, you will have the option to follow the General Stream or to focus on the area that matters most to you and your career plan and follow the Environment & Health, Health Economics, Health Promotion, or Health Services Management stream.

Entry requirements
All applicants are required to have:
- A first or second class honours degree or equivalent in a subject appropriate to the field of study.
- A minimum of one year’s relevant work experience.

Applicants who do not satisfy the above requirements may still be admitted at the discretion of the University of London on the basis of academic qualifications, work experience and references.

Module specifications
To view the module specifications, please visit lshtm.ac.uk/study/modules-dl

Key information:

Academic queries: distance@lshtm.ac.uk
General enquiries: london.ac.uk/contact-us

Fees
Further details about LSHTM’s tuition fees, including the Tuition Fees Policy, can be found on our website.

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Individual Modules

We have a wide range of modules available from our programmes for you to take as a single short course.

You can study all the modules in our distance learning programmes (with the exception of the project reports and Clinical Trials integrating module) on an individual basis.

These modules are particularly useful for anyone working in NGOs, government and health departments, and as clinicians, researchers, scientists or other professionals who are exposed to the topics covered and would benefit from learning more.

Time commitment
You will receive access to your study materials from the beginning of October. After this, you will be able to study at your own pace through to June, when examinations take place.

Credit transfer
If you complete an individual module and decide to register for a PG Certificate, PG Diploma or MSc, the grades and credits you have gained may be transferred. To qualify, the module must form part of the structure of the programme and in the corresponding module specifications (accessible via lshtm.ac.uk/study/modules-dl).

Fees
Further information regarding individual module fees can be found on our website.

Accessibility
If you do not have the standard academic requirements to register for a formal programme (i.e. PG Certificate, PG Diploma or MSc), you may be asked to take one individual module to be considered for entry.

Entry requirements
If previous experience or qualifications are required for a module, these are listed on the web page for each programme and in the corresponding module specifications (accessible via lshtm.ac.uk/study/modules-dl).

Free online courses
We offer a number of free online courses that cover important topics linked to global health and that give an introductory overview at postgraduate level.

How to Apply

Once you are ready to apply, follow the five easy steps below:

1. Submit your application to University of London online at: london.ac.uk/health

2. University of London will notify you of whether or not you have been accepted. This usually happens within five working days.*

3. If you are made an offer, you will receive an email with instructions for completing your online registration (usually from March).

4. You will have until the registration deadline to accept your offer and pay your initial fees.

5. Begin your studies. You will be given access to LSHTM’s online learning site (Moodle) from the beginning of October.

* You will be sent a student reference number by email in case you need to contact University of London about your application.

Useful information for applicants

You are welcome to submit your application even if you are yet to sit an exam or you are awaiting results. University of London can begin to process your application without all the evidence, although we make a final decision once all the necessary documentation has been received. If you are unsure as to whether or not you meet our entry requirements, University of London might be able to advise you on this before you submit your online application.
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Our short courses are ideal for busy professionals or students who want to refresh existing skills, develop new ones and keep up-to-date with the latest expertise in the field without taking a full programme. These courses run on an annual basis and online delivery has become increasingly available.

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Our short, post-experience and specifically designed courses run from one day to three months, providing the opportunity for intensive study in specialised topics in addition to those available through our master's programmes. These courses enable you to refresh your skills and keep up-to-date with the latest research and knowledge.

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- Global Eye Health
- Global Health Primer for Doctors
- Infectious Disease ‘Omics
- Introduction to Infectious Disease Modelling and Its Applications
- Introduction to Spatial Analysis in R
- Introductory Course in Epidemiology & Medical Statistics
- Pandemics: Emergence, Spread and Response
- Researching Gender-Based Violence: Methods and Meaning

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We also offer a number of professionally certified short courses, including:

- Professional Certificate in Pharmacoepidemiology & Pharmacovigilance (online)
- Professional Diploma in Tropical Nursing (online)
- Professional Diploma in Tropical Medicine & Hygiene (DTM&H)

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