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FACTS

Duration and Accreditation

1 week (60 hrs)
2 ECTS (once tropEd accredited)

Course Fee

General Admission € 750
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Included in the course fee is a non-refundable registration fee of € 200.

Registration

All applications should be submitted online. A limited number of places are available in each short course. Places are allocated on a first come first served basis. Please have a look at our website for up-to-date information.

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November 1, 2018 – April 30, 2019
E-Learning Course: Quality Improvement

January 7 – 18, 2019
Disease control: Strategies and Policies

January 21 – February 1, 2019
Public health anthropology

February 4 – 15, 2019
Global Challenges in Reprod. Health

February 18 – March 1, 2019
Improving quality of health care services in resource limited settings

March 4 – 15, 2019
Consultancy Skills in International Cooperation in Health

March 18 – 29, 2019
Leadership and Change Management in International Health

April 1 – 12, 2019
Financing Health Care

April 29 – May 10, 2019
Public Health and Disasters

May 13 – 17, 2019
Proposal Writing as a Consultancy Skill

May 20 – 24, 2019
Decision-making in Public Health

May 27 – 31, 2019
Global Mental Health

June 3 – 7, 2019
Health Systems Strengthening

June 10 – 21, 2019
Quality Management in International Health

June 24 – July 5, 2019
Consultancy Skills in International Cooperation in Health

July 8 – 19, 2019
Mixed Methods

July 22 – 26, 2019
Applying the Rights Based Approach in Achieving Health Related SDGs

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Short Courses in International Health

June 3 – 7, 2019

HEALTH SYSTEMS
STRENGTHENING

HEALTH SYSTEMS STRENGTHENING

Content Overview

The catalytic role of health systems strengthening (HSS) for the improvement of populations' health and the protection against health-related financial risks in low- and middle-income countries is well-documented.

During the last few decades international donor and technical agencies intermittently used disease-specific („vertical“) and system-specific („horizontal“) strategies for providing health support to LMICs. While epidemic impact of the former has been impressive, sustaining results, due to poorly performing health systems, has been a challenge.

The integrated approach has recently emerged as a more effective strategy, which implies designing system-related solutions to address disease-related challenges. This approach has been embedded in the global Sustainable Development Goals framework (SDGs 2016-2030), which places increased emphasis on achieving universal health coverage through improved performance of countries' health systems.

This course aims to provide participants with the necessary tools to develop and successfully implement HSS interventions in LMICs in order to maximize impact of national disease-control programmes, such as HIV, TB, malaria and maternal & child health.

Main Topics

- Approaches and strategies for health systems strengthening in low-/middle-income countries
- Interactions between national disease control programmes and broader health systems, as well as HSS and UHC
- Overview of global partnership mechanisms, donor environment and on-going collaborations on HSS

Target Group

Graduate students enrolled in global health programmes, as well as health practitioners in LMICs (e.g. Ministry of Health staff, health facility managers, national disease programme managers, provincial/district health authorities) and technical/operational staff of international organisations based in LMICs (e.g. WHO, UNICEF, NGOs).

Prerequisites

This course is held in English. Excellent command/high level of proficiency in reading, writing and speaking English is required.

Learning Objectives

- This course aims to provide students with the necessary tools to develop and to successfully implement Health systems strengthening (HSS) interventions in low/middle-income countries (LMICs), in order to maximize impact of national disease-control programs. At the end of the course, students will be able to:
- Critically discuss theoretical and practical aspects of HSS in the context of LMICs, including multiple conceptual frameworks, strategic approaches to HSS, and political and economic aspects that determine health policy choices.
 - Apply operational aspects of HSS, including diagnosing the gaps in health systems performance, designing high-impact interventions and measuring performance of health systems strengthening programs.
 - Examine the global health landscape relevant to HSS, including global health funding architecture,

partnership mechanisms and technical support mechanisms.

Teaching and Assessment

This course fosters an active participatory learning process by using a mixture of interactive lectures, discussions, case study reviews, group work and presentations.

Participants are expected to attend teaching sessions full-time, participate regularly in discussions and group work.

Participants will also be assessed on their:

- Individual written assignment (essay): a critical synthesis of retrieved information on selected topics 1500-2000 words (60%)
- Oral presentation based on group work (40%)

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The short courses programme offered by the Heidelberg Institute of Global Health at Heidelberg University provides opportunities for continuing education and professional development. Short courses are open to the Institute's postgraduate students, students from other tropEd member institutions, and health professionals wanting to specialise or expand their knowledge in a particular subject area in international health.

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