This one-year programme is intended for graduates of Chinese Studies programmes and native Chinese speakers who wish to gain further understanding and develop expertise in a range of subjects concerned with Chinese health and wellbeing and the impact of China, historically and in the present day, on health around the world.

Degree summary

This MA offers an interdisciplinary approach to health in China including history of medicine in China, population studies, the built and natural environment, climate change, law and medical ethics, public health and policy making. Intensive training in academic English and translation for publication online is provided.

UCL History enjoys an outstanding international reputation for its research and teaching.

The department is strongly committed to the intellectual development of all our students; if you come to UCL, you will receive individual supervision from leading academics.

Located in Bloomsbury, UCL History is just a few minutes’ walk away from the exceptional resources of the British Library, the British Museum and the research institutes of the University of London, including the Warburg and the Institute of Historical Research.

The programme is taught by specialists in the field and is delivered through a combination of lectures, tutorials, seminars, presentations, workshops and direct reading. Assessment is through examination, presentations, essays and the dissertation.

Degree structure

Mode: Full-time: 1 year
Location: London, Bloomsbury

Students undertake modules to the value of 180 credits. The programme consists of one core course (15 credits), direct reading and translation modules (60 credits), dissertation (60 credits) and two or three optional or elective modules (45 credits).

CORE MODULES

- Core Course: An Interdisciplinary Approach to China: Health and Humanity
- Translation and Direct Reading
- Dissertation (see below)

OPTIONAL MODULES

- History of Chinese Medicine I: the Classical World and its Legacy
- History of Chinese Medicine II: from Song Public Health to the Chinese Medical Diaspora
- Chinese Health and Heritage
- Chinese Law and Health
- Chinese Film and the Body
- Chinese Nutrition: History, Culture and Society
- Elective Modules within SOAS, Institute of Global Health, and Anthropology
- Suitable elective module from other departments at UCL

NB: Not all options will be available every year.

DISSERTATION/REPORT

All students undertake an independent research project which culminates in a dissertation of up to 12,000 words.
Your career

This programme aims to train the next generation of professionals in the interdisciplinary approaches and skills necessary for understanding and improving population and individual health in China and internationally. It will be invaluable for all those intending to work in professions with an interest in Chinese health including: health systems and reform, the health environment, integrated health, in NGOs and multilateral organisations as policymakers, administrators, and workers in the field. It will also prepare students to work in art and media where Chinese health issues are concerned.

Employability

Graduates from the MA will be well prepared to take advantage of job opportunities that are also available to graduates from the Institute of Global Health and Anthropology, but with the added advantage of an expertise in China: health administration policy and consultancy, health law, in bilateral and multilateral organisations, NGOs, built and natural environment, climate change, health research in China and the UK. The programme also aims to create new expertise on China’s health culture that will open up job opportunities as China begins a rapid programme of developing private health-care partnerships.
Entry requirements

A minimum of an upper second-class Bachelor’s degree in a relevant discipline from a UK university or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard.

English language proficiency level

If your education has not been conducted in the English language, you will be expected to demonstrate evidence of an adequate level of English proficiency.

The level of English language proficiency for this programme is: Standard.

Information about the evidence required, acceptable qualifications and test providers is provided at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/english-requirements

Your application

Students are advised to apply as early as possible due to competition for places. Those applying for scholarship funding (particularly overseas applicants) should take note of application deadlines.

When we assess your application we would like to learn:

- why you want to study Chinese Health and Humanity at graduate level
- why you want to study Chinese Health and Humanity at UCL
- what particularly attracts you to this programme
- how your academic background meets the demands of a challenging academic environment
- where you would like to go professionally with your degree

Together with essential academic requirements, the personal statement is your opportunity to illustrate whether your reasons for applying to this programme match what the programme will deliver.

FEES AND FUNDING 2017/18 ENTRY

- UK: £9,840 (FT)
- EU: £9,840 (FT)
- Overseas: £20,540 (FT)

The tuition fees shown are for the year indicated above. Fees for subsequent years may increase or otherwise vary. Further information on fee status, fee increases and the fee schedule can be viewed on the UCL Current Students website.

Full details of funding opportunities can be found on the UCL Scholarships website: www.ucl.ac.uk/scholarships

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All applicants: 1 September 2017

Details on how to apply are available on the website at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/apply

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EU referendum

For up-to-date information relating to specific key questions following the UK’s decision to leave the EU, please refer to www.ucl.ac.uk/eu-referendum

PDF Updated: July 21, 2017

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