Global Health and Development: tropEd programme MSc

Global Health and Development: tropEd is a route through the Global Health and Development MSc, which combines UCL modules with modules taken at tropEd network institutions in the UK, Europe and around the world. This route maximises professional and educational networking opportunities and international experiences that enhance employability.

Degree summary

The programme challenges students to understand the complex forces that shape health worldwide, by developing their understanding of the principles underlying research, policy and practice in global health, and their ability to critically evaluate the issues that are important for today’s developing countries and common to the whole world.

- Education at the UCL Institute for Global Health is cross-disciplinary, with teaching led by experts drawn from health policy, economics, philosophy, political science, anthropology, epidemiology and medicine.
- The tropEd MSc consists of core and optional modules and a dissertation. The tropEd degree allows for optional modules to be selected from tropEd network affiliated institutions around the world that the Global Health and Development MSc does not.
- The tropEd degree provides networking opportunities and international experiences which enhance tropEd graduate employability. Mobility across leading international institutions prepares students for effective work in multicultural and multidisciplinary environments. Students also experience diverse learning styles and perspectives on global health problems.

The programme is taught with an emphasis on collaborative and co-operative learning. This is to ensure that students enter the workforce capable of joining projects and programmes with a supportive network of peers. Assessment is through written assignments, unseen written examinations, projects, oral presentations, group work and the written dissertation.

Degree structure

Mode: Full-time: 1 year; Part-time: 2 years; Flexible: 2-5 years
Location: London, Bloomsbury

MSc students undertake modules to the value of 180 credits. The programme consists of four core UCL modules (60 credits), optional modules taken at UCL and partner trop-Ed institutions (60 credits), and the research dissertation completed at UCL (60 credits). All UCL taught modules are 15 credits. To gain the tropEd MSc you should take at least 15 credits of optional modules outside UCL in a partner tropEd institution.

UCL CORE MODULES

- Concepts and Controversies in Global Health
- Research Methods and Evidence for Global Health
- Power and Politics in Global Health
- Health Systems in a Global Context

OPTIONAL MODULES

- The Institute for Global Health (IGH) reserves the right not to run modules with less than 10 students registered. It may not be possible to take your chosen optional modules because of timetabling and capacity constraints. If in doubt, consult the programme administrator.
- There are more than 150 modules available that have been approved and accredited by tropEd.
- For further details visit: www.troped.org
- UCL optional modules may include the following:
  - Anthropological Perspectives on Global Health
  - Climate Change and Health
  - Conflict, Humanitarianism and Health
  - Collecting and Using Data: Essentials of Quantitative Survey Research
  - Disability and Development
  - Economic Evaluation in Health Care
  - Essentials of International Child Health
  - Evaluating Interventions
  - Global Health Promotion
  - Health Management: Planning and Programme Design
  - Infectious Diseases Epidemiology and Global Health Policy

DISSERTATION/REPORT

- All MSc students undertake an individual research project on a topic relevant to future work in global health and development which includes a presentation and culminates in a dissertation of 7,000 words.
Your career
The programme equips students with knowledge and transferable skills they will need in their future careers in global health. Career routes include research, programme management, policy advice and advocacy, at national and international levels, and in public, private and not-for-profit sectors.

Employability
This wide-ranging programme strives to create students who will be able to look at health problems from different angles and think analytically and critically—all key transferable skills in the job market. The diversity of approaches to global health taken by this programme helps expand students’ employment horizons and options.
Entry requirements

Normally a minimum of an upper second-class UK Bachelor’s degree or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard. Professional experience in the fields of health and development is desirable. An applicant whose qualifications vary from UCL standards may be admitted if evidence of an adequate academic background and work experience in an appropriate field can be shown.

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: Good.

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 Global Health and Development tropEd at graduate level
- why you want to study Global Health and Development tropEd at UCL
- what particularly attracts you to the tropEd programme and where you would propose to take optional modules
- how your academic and professional background meets the demands of this challenging programme
- 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.

Application fee: There is an application processing fee for this programme of £75 for online applications and £100 for paper applications. More details about the application fee can be found at www.ucl.ac.uk/prospective-students/graduate/taught/application.

FEES AND FUNDING 2018/19 ENTRY

- UK: £10,140 (FT), £5,060 (PT)
- EU: £10,140 (FT), £5,060 (PT)
- Overseas: £18,850 (FT), £9,290 (PT)

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.

Fees for flexible, modular study are charged pro-rata to the appropriate full-time Master’s fee taken in an academic session.

Home/EU applicants may apply for IGH Postgraduate Bursaries. Applicants who are residents and nationals of an African nation may apply for an African Graduate Scholarship. Please see IGH Scholarships & Funding

Applicants from the United States of America may apply for the UCLFAA Scholarship

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

APPLICATION DEADLINE

All applicants: 27 July 2018

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