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POPULATION HEALTH MSc /
2017/18 ENTRY

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The Population Health MSc will provide the core skills needed to work in public health, as well as offering a wide range of optional modules which can be targeted towards a range of careers in or parallel to this area including: health policy, programme management, health inequalities, and urban and environmental planning.

**Degree summary**

Students will learn how to define and measure health, understand the role of socioeconomic and behavioural determinants of health, appreciate how health systems and public policy impact on health, and learn how to evaluate interventions to improve population health.

UCL has a worldwide reputation in understanding health inequalities, and the social determinants of population health and causes of diseases. Students will benefit both from learning from and networking with leaders in these fields. UCL can also bring the full power of a multi-faculty university to bear on discussions on population health, involving academics from the wide range of disciplines necessary to tackle some of the most difficult in public health.

The programme is delivered through a combination of lectures and tutorials. Assessment is through a variety of methods, including essays, unseen examinations, project proposals and oral presentations. Students will also write a research dissertation of 7,500 words, along with an oral presentation and a lay summary of 500 words.

**Degree structure**

**Mode:** Full-time: 1 year; Part-time: 2 years; Flexible: 2-5 years

**Location:** London, Bloomsbury

Students undertake modules to the value of 180 credits. The programme consists of four core modules (60 credits), four optional modules (60 credits) and a dissertation/report (60 credits).

A Postgraduate Diploma (120 credits), full-time nine months, flexible study 2-5 years, is offered. Students take four core modules (60 credits) and four optional modules (60 credits).

A Postgraduate Certificate (60 credits), full-time nine months, flexible study two years, is offered. Students take three core modules (45 credits) and one optional module (15 credits).

**CORE MODULES**

- Core Concepts in Population Health (to be confirmed)
- Epidemiology or Epidemiology and Infectious Disease
- Health Systems in a Global Context
- Basic Statistics for Medical Science

**OPTIONAL MODULES**

- Advanced Statistical Modelling
- Climate Change and Health
- Economic Evaluation of Health Care
- Evaluating Interventions
- Health Inequalities Over the Life Course
- Health-related Behaviours and Cognitions
- Immunisation and Communicable Diseases
- Physical and Mental Health, Stress and Aging
- Qualitative Research Methods in Health Research
- Quality Improvement in Health Care
- Reproductive Health
- Research Methods in Social Epidemiology
- Sexual Health Programming in Low and Middle Income Countries
- Urban Health

**DISSERTATION/REPORT**

- All students undertake an independent research project which culminates in a dissertation of 7,500 words. An oral presentation and a lay summary of 500 words are also required. The dissertation can include primary research, secondary data analysis, a literature review or a project proposal in a field related to population health.
Your career

Students interested in careers in public health, health policy and healthcare management - as well in associated areas such as urban and environmental planning and health financing - will benefit from the knowledge and transferrable skills gained during this programme.

Employability

Students will gain interdisciplinary skills and knowledge in population health which are core to careers in the health sector and beyond. Optional modules will enable students to focus the development of their skills in research methods; public health and health systems; sexual health and infectious disease; and health across the life-course. Discussions on the policy and practice of population health will help students become engaged and critical thinkers about real-world problems.
Entry requirements

An upper second-class Bachelor's degree in a relevant subject from a UK university, or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard; or a professional qualification in a health-related area such as medicine or nursing of an equivalent standard. Relevant research, work or volunteer experience will be viewed favourably. Students without the minimum academic standards may be considered if they have extensive relevant work or research experience.

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 access your application we would like to learn:

// why you want to study Population Health at graduate level
// what particularly attracts you to the chosen programme
// 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.

FEES AND FUNDING 2017/18 ENTRY

// UK: £9,290 (FT), £4,645 (PT)
// EU: £9,290 (FT), £4,645 (PT)
// Overseas: £23,710 (FT), £11,800 (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.

Home/EU applicants may apply for the MSc Population Health Bursaries.

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

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