Epidemiological Transition (IEHC0025)

**Description**

‘Epidemiological Transition’ is a module that will develop your understanding of the history of population health. The module aims to introduce you to concepts of epidemiological transition, to make you understand the shift from high mortality to low mortality, to make you critically interpret the agents of change in mortality and cause of death regimes, and to make you understand how health risk are changing and may change in the future. Specifically, you will cover topics such as the epidemiological transition, a comparison of health over time and its challenges, data sources, health in the times of Malthus and Marx, demographic transition theory, agents for change, contemporary health, future health trends, and a redefinition of the epidemiological transition.

By the end of this module, you should be able to:

1. Summarise the agents for population health change
2. Identify and appraise a wide range of population health resources including academic journals, online data repositories and public health information
3. Present a review of existing evidence in a written report.

This is an introductory module for Year 1 students on the BSc Population Health programme. There is availability for UCL elective students from other departments. Places are allocated on a 'first come, first served' basis on Portico when the module selection opens. Spaces are limited to 40.

You will attend weekly 3-hour lectures in Term 1 of the academic year.

This module is assessed in two ways: a written review of existing evidence due in Term 1 (30% of your total mark for...
this module) and an unseen written exam in Term 3 (70%).

Selected Reading List