Institute of Epidemiology and Health Care

Population Ageing (IEHC0035)

Description

‘Population Ageing’ is a module which will provide you with key concepts and an understanding of global population ageing patterns and trends, ageing-related changes across diverse physical and psychosocial domains [e.g. cognitive ageing patterns or changes in social roles and relationships], frequency and distribution of various age-associated health and social problems [e.g. disability, social isolation and SES inequalities], and implications of ageing for formal and informal health and social care in different country contexts [e.g. financial costs and family burden]. You will be introduced to different theoretical perspectives on ageing, their applications in scientific research on ageing and health, and the methodology of major ageing cohort studies and longitudinal studies on ageing and health in the UK and internationally. Overall, this module aims to provide a multidisciplinary overview of the links between ageing across the life course, health and wellbeing, the social and economic implications of population ageing on societies across the globe and social care.

By the end of the module, you should have developed:

1. An understanding of the links between ageing, health and wellbeing across the life course
2. An understanding of the contribution of major UK and international cohort studies to the scientific study of ageing and health
3. An understanding of the potential economic and social implications of ageing for societies, health systems, social policies and family relationships
4. An understanding of how population ageing patterns and experiences vary across different national and cultural contexts
5. An understanding of the impact of ageing process on health and social care services for older people

Key information

- **Year**: 2020/21
- **Credit value**: 15 (150 study hours)
- **Delivery**: UG L6, Campus-based
- **Reading List**: View on UCL website
- **Tutor**: Dr Cesar De Oliveira
- **Term**: Term 2
- **Timetable**: View on UCL website

Assessment

- Coursework: 100.0%

Find out more

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Disclaimer: All information correct as of March 2020. Please note that aspects of the module may be subject to change. UCL will make best efforts to inform applicants of major changes.
Critical appraisal skills through appraising the methodological quality of ageing-related research

Oral communication skills through participation in small group seminars

Written communication skills through the preparation of assessed coursework

Oral presentation skills through the preparation of the assessed presentation.

This is an optional advanced module open to Year 3 students on the BSc Population Health module. There is availability for UCL elective students from other departments. However, spaces are limited to 30 and are allocated on a 'first come, first served' basis on Portico, with preference given to BSc Population Health students.

Teaching will take place in Term 2 in the form of classroom-based lectures, small group work, guest lectures, and an international Skype session.

The module is assessed based on a written essay of 3,000 words counting for 100% of your final mark for this module.