

PUBLIC HEALTH AND CRISIS COURSES

13 May - 07 June 2019

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and
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Background

Natural and constructed hazards, new and re-emerging pathogens, conflict and rising inequity are all contributing to an ever increasing burden of mass human suffering worldwide. These threats put exposed populations at a much higher risk of new diseases, new disabilities and early death, and drain much needed resources away from development in countries which can least afford it. Other global factors such as climate change, aging societies, urbanisation, globalisation, antibiotic resistance, mass migration and the politics of isolationist nationalism complicate the context in which humanitarian and first responder agencies have to operate. More than ever, innovative public health approaches to populations in crisis are needed.

Location of the course

The course will be held at the Faculty of Public Health at the Thammasat University campus in Rangsit, 30km north of Bangkok. Participants will have full access to most University facilities, as well as the public facilities at the nearby Asian Institute of Technology.

About the course

In June 2019, the international Global Health programme of the Faculty of Public Health at Thammasat in Thailand will open its course on Public Health and Crisis to external candidates. This 4 week course is a elective component of the Faculty's MPH (Global Health) curriculum. The course consists of 4 linked modules, and external candidates have the opportunity to join the whole course or to choose specific modules which suit their needs.

The course modules and the (tentative) schedule are as follows:

1. Public Health and Natural Hazards Module from *13-17 May 2019*
2. Epidemic Management & Control Module from *20-24 May 2019*
3. Public Health & Conflict Module from *27-31 May 2019*
4. Public Health & Mass Casualty Management Module from *03-07 June 2019*



Who should take this course?

- Health and allied professionals who are seeking a career move to the professional humanitarian sector;
- Candidates of other academic courses, particularly part time and web based courses, who are looking for accredited short courses to enhance their degree.

The whole course is not recommended for those who already have experience of working in humanitarian settings, but specific modules may be of interest to experienced people looking to broaden their knowledge of humanitarian practice.

By the end of the course, participants will be able to:

- Critically review the quality and appropriateness of key public health interventions in humanitarian settings, mass casualty events and epidemics;
- Recognise gaps in the evidence base for current knowledge and practice in public health interventions in humanitarian settings, mass casualty events and epidemics;
- Identify research opportunities to expand the evidence base and address gaps in current knowledge and practice in public health interventions in humanitarian settings, mass casualty events and epidemics;
- Explore and explain the strengths and weaknesses of published articles and research papers on public health interventions in humanitarian settings, mass casualty events and epidemics.

Who are the trainers?

The core course sessions are facilitated by experts in public health and emergencies from the Asian Disaster Preparedness Center and faculty from Thammasat University. Guest facilitators from international humanitarian agencies based in Thailand will also facilitate additional sessions or join panel discussions/round table events.

Language and teaching methods

The course is offered in **English only**.

What is the cost?

- **Full course: \$1,850.00** (THB60,250.00) for 4 weeks tuition only
- **Selective package: \$500.00** (THB16,285.00) **per 1 week module** for tuition only

Participants are expected to make their own travel arrangements and to arrange their own accommodation and local transport. Options for accommodation in and near the campus can be provided by the organisers. Participants should also ensure that they have relevant travel and / or health insurance cover.

Each module has a requirement for a minimum number of 10 participants. If an insufficient number of applications have been received for a module by 1 May 2019, the Faculty of Public Health and ADPC reserve the right to cancel that module for the current year. Candidates who have already been accepted will be informed as soon as the decision is taken, and offered a place in the following year if desired.

What is the application procedure?

It is best to apply electronically. Please email your application form and copy of your CV to Ms. Janette Lauza Ugsang, Health Risk Management Department, ADPC <janette@adpc.net>

Once accepted, applicants will receive detailed registration information and procedures for payment.

Please apply at least one month prior to the date of the module you wish to attend.



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