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Global Health Standalone Course with Graduate Credits

August 6 - November 26, 2025 | 2:00 - 5:00 pm | Every Wednesday

The Master of Science in Public Health (MSPH) Programme is pleased to announce the standalone course scheduled for August – November 2025. This course is part of the programme curriculum but can also be taken without enrolling in a degree programme. Course credits can contribute towards a master's degree.

Course Description

This course aims to familiarise students with foundational and advanced global health concepts and evolution, with an understanding and analysis of global health policies, and practices of global health. This course will provide a broader understanding of different expressions of global health policy discourse, the intricacies of the policy process, the actors and institutions involved and its political economy, examining how power structures and governance mechanisms shape health outcomes, particularly in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs). The course will further highlight the health challenges of communicable and non-communicable pandemics, and epidemics from a global perspective and their undesirable impact with a focus on low and middle-income countries (LMICs).

The course will also focus on various stakeholders involved at the global level in health and their power structures, political and other influential players, decision-making processes and the external factors involved in agenda setting, policy formulation and implementation. This Global Health course is also aimed at developing an understanding of the relationship between health and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), their influence on human and social development, and how these can be ensured and measured. Student learning and analytical understanding will be consolidated with case studies as well as specific readings on different topics through selected texts. The assessment of this course entails presentations, reflective essays and final project report.

Audience

- Physicians, dentists, nurses, and allied health professionals, preferably with experience in public health
- Health sector managers public and private
- Public health professionals from other disciplines who have the required experience
- Health professionals working with NGOs and development agencies

Enrolment Criteria

Candidates for enrolment in this course must present the following:

Candidates should have at least one year of fulltime work experience after graduation in a healthrelated field (voluntary work, a part-time or unpaid internship is not included) and should hold at least one of the following degrees:

Sixteen-year undergraduate degree from an accredited / recognised university in Sciences / Health Sciences including bachelor's degree such as BSPH, MBBS, BDS, BScN, DVM, D Pharm, Human Nutrition and Dietetics, BSc Paramedics, BS in physiotherapy / DPT, BS in Medical Laboratory Technology, BS in Dental Hygiene, BS in Occupational Therapy, BS in Optometry, BSin Audiology, Biotechnology, BS in Biosciences (or equivalent).

Course credits can contribute towards a master's degree:

Candidates who will achieve a cGPA of 3.5 or above after completing two courses or a cGPA of 3.0 or above after completing three courses are exempted from writing the Admission Test. They will be required to appear for an interview. The courses are valid for three years only for entry into the MSPH programme.

Important Information:

Submit the form via e-mail by Monday July 14, 2025, at <u>visiting.application@aku.edu</u> along with the following as a PDF file:

- Completed and signed application form along with a photograph
- Attested copy of degree and marks sheet of sixteen years of schooling in the relevant field as mentioned in the criteria.
- Attested copy of CNIC / Passport
- Attested copy of work experience letter

Interested candidates are encouraged to ensure their applications are duly completed, as incomplete applications will not be processed.

AKU may request additional documentation or an equivalence certificate to clarify your qualification.

Course Director: Dr Batool Fatima

Course fee: PKR 106,500 Register by: July 14, 2025