

Imperial-University of Cape Town Global Health Fellows Programme

11 to 15 June 2016



What?

The University of Cape Town and Imperial College London are offering postgraduate students an opportunity to participate in a Global Health Fellows Programme. This Programme consists of a five-day professional skills and Global Health Summer (Winter!) School and will take place on UCT campus from 11 to 15 June 2016. This is a chance to challenge yourself outside of your normal working environment, meet people from other disciplines and cultures and have fun!

Global Health Summer School

Students from Imperial, the University of Cape Town and partner institutions will participate in the Global Health Summer School to develop their research and professional skills.

In a research environment where funding is increasingly drawn to collaborative research, cross-university research is encouraged and interdisciplinary research is used as a problem solving strategy. The Imperial College Institute of Global Health Innovation and affiliated Wellcome Trust Global Health Centre are such initiatives, bringing researchers together to meet challenges in Global Health.

The research environment is increasingly competitive and requires both excellence in research and developed professional skills. This course is designed to challenge researchers to assess their research skills and develop their interdisciplinary awareness, examining opportunities to collaborate and develop research. The course will focus on professional skills essential for researchers and also feature insights from current Global Health researchers.

Topics covered in this course include:

- Creativity and development of collaborative research
- Effective team working and dealing with change
- Communication with impact: reaching different audiences
- Global Health networks and networking
- Research structure and taking research forward

At the end of this course students will have:

- A greater understanding of research in different institutions and career paths
- Analysed their current research plan
- Generated a new collaborative research proposal
- Examined group dynamics and team roles important in working collaboratively
- Considered how to communicate effectively with different audiences
- A greater understanding of current issues in Global Health

Who?

The Summer School has a capacity of 32 and up to 12 places have been reserved for UCT students.

Students must be registered at UCT and

- Be a current PhD student or a Masters student undertaking to upgrade to a PhD
- Have an interest and awareness of Global Health concerns and a willingness to engage with current topics in Global Health

It is NOT a requirement for students to have an in-depth background in Global Health, but students MUST be interested in engaging with Global Health concerns.

Why?

This is a challenging development opportunity which aims to strengthen participants' global skills and foster intercultural awareness. The Programme presents career-changing international networking to forge global links with academics and students based in the United Kingdom and from the Global Health network. As well as enhanced personal and research effectiveness, participants will gain new insights to their work and lives through activities on project management, creativity in research, team working, networking and developing self-awareness.

How?

University of Cape Town students should submit the completed application form that accompanies this advert to Kathryn Wood (Kathryn.Wood@uct.ac.za) by the deadline of 17th April 2016.

Applicant Criteria

Applicants likely to be successful will be those who:

- Show that they will gain significantly from this specific programme
- Have realistic expectations of the experience and explain goals for the programme
- Demonstrate enthusiasm for engaging with peers from Global Health partners and Imperial
- Possess awareness of the skills necessary to develop links with international collaborators
- Show an awareness of Global Health concerns and a willingness to engage with current topics in Global Health
- Be willing to participate in the full programme including the social activities, to promote collaboration.
- Students should explain how they meet the above criteria in their applications.

Any queries, please contact Yolande.Harley@uct.ac.za