



# **MODULE SPECIFICATION**

Academic Year (student	2021-22		
cohort covered by	2021-22		
specification)			
Module Code	PHM209		
Module Title	Globalisation and Health		
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Faculty	Public Health & Policy: The London School of Hygiene &		
	Tropical Medicine		
	https://www.lshtm.ac.uk/research/faculties/php		
FHEQ Level	Level 7		
Credit Value	<b>CATS:</b> 15		
	<b>ECTS:</b> 7.5		
HECoS Code	100489 : 100648		
Mode of Delivery	Distance Learning		
Mode of Study	Directed self-study, through online materials (Virtual Learning		
	Environment)		
Language of Study	English		
Pre-Requisites	It is useful but not essential for students to have studied the		
	Health Policy, Process and Power module (PHM109), or to		
	have a basic understanding of the political economy of		
	health.		
Accreditation by	None		
Professional Statutory			
and Regulatory Body			
Module Cap (Maximum	None		
number of students)			
Target Audience	The module is recommended for students with an interest in		
	global health from the perspective of understanding broad		
	and interrelated determinants of health within and across		
	countries. It is intended for students who want to explore		

	and understand the rapid changes occurring globally and explore their impacts on health at a global and local level.  This module is available to students registered for the DL MSc and PGDip in Public Health. It is recommended for students studying the MSc in Public Health: General stream and the Environment and Health and Health Promotion streams. The module is also open to students on the DL PGDip/MSc Clinical Trials and Epidemiology programmes. Alternatively, it can also be taken as an individual module.
Module Description	The module discusses how linked global changes, known as globalisation, impact on social, economic, environmental and political spheres, and the impacts of these on health determinants and health.
Duration	Studies for distance learning modules begin in early October. At this time, module materials will be made available on Moodle and the module textbook will be made available in either e-format or hard copy, once fees have been paid. Students may start their studies at any time from the beginning of October and work through the material until the start of the June examinations. However, students are encouraged to commence their studies in October and work steadily through the materials over the course of the academic year and must adhere to other assessment submission deadlines.
Last Revised (e.g. year changes approved)	March 2021

Programme(s)	Status	
This module is linked to the following programme(s)		
MSc Public Health (General stream) (Distance Learning -	Recommended Elective	
University of London Worldwide)		
MSc Public Health: Environment & Health (Distance	Recommended Elective	
Learning - University of London Worldwide)		
MSc Public Health: Health Promotion (Distance Learning -	Recommended Elective	
University of London Worldwide)		
PGDip Public Health (Distance Learning - University of	Elective	
London Worldwide)		
MSc Public Health: Health Services Management (Distance	Elective	
Learning - University of London Worldwide)		
PGDip/MSc Clinical Trials (Distance Learning - University of	Elective	
London Worldwide)		
PGDip/MSc Epidemiology (Distance Learning - University of	Elective	
London Worldwide)		

## **Module Aim and Intended Learning Outcomes**

#### Overall aim of the module

This module aims to:

• improve students' ability to analyse the interactions between contemporary global changes, known as globalisation, and global health.

### **Module Intended Learning Outcomes**

Upon successful completion of the module a student will be able to:

- 1. Describe and give examples of key concepts such as global change, globalisation, global health and governance, and the concepts of rapid spatial, temporal and cognitive changes with links to global health;
- 2. Describe and give examples of the various drivers and forms of global change (e.g. environmental, economic, spatial, technological and cognitive), and their relationship with globalisation processes;
- 3. Critically analyse empirical evidence of the links between global changes and health, and the methodological tools available to measure such links;
- 4. Describe examples of global health issues and assess how they influence human health using case studies on environmental change, communicable and non-communicable disease control, and multilateral trade agreements;
- 5. Critically analyse challenges to effective responses to global health problems using examples related to global health governance.

## **Indicative Syllabus**

#### **Session Content**

The module is expected to cover the following topics:

- Conceptual frameworks for understanding different types of global change taking place, the key drivers of globalisation, and the main features of the shift from national to global health;
- Overviews of global change impacts on the social, economic, environmental and political spheres;
- Examples dealing with familiar public health issues from a global perspective (e.g. infectious and non infectious disease, pharmaceuticals, tobacco control, alcohol; food; and human rights);
- Debates from policy areas and agendas outside the health sector impacting health at a global level (e.g. trade and trade organisations, security and human rights legislation, major industries of tobacco, alcohol, and pharmaceuticals, and environmental change);
- Review of global health governance structures and forms of global health policies, institutional reforms, and international law and other forms of cooperation.

### **Teaching and Learning**

#### **Notional Learning Hours**

Type of Learning Time	Number of Hours	Expressed as Percentage (%)	
Directed self-study	110	73.3	
Self-directed learning	0	0	
Assessment, review and revision	40	26.7	
Total	150	100%	

#### **Teaching and Learning Strategy**

Learning is via directed self-study. A guide to studying the module is provided, together with access to a range of study resources, discussion forums and online webinar discussion sessions. The textbook that supports this module provides a detailed set of learning objectives at the start of each chapter, and also offers focused reading and various learning activities. Students are strongly encouraged to participate in the module-specific discussions and online webinar discussion sessions to obtain tutor support, and to make use of the LSHTM on-line library resources. Written feedback is provided on submitted assignments.

Student participation in online activities and discussion for a strengthens learning and reduces isolation in studies. Students are strongly encouraged to participate in the module-specific discussions and real-time tutorials available on Moodle to obtain tutor support, and to make use of LSHTM online library resources. Participation in Moodle discussions and activities is particularly important in this module due to the fast-changing scenarios created by globalisation. Students are expected to participate in Moodle activities at least once a term.

#### Assessment

#### **Assessment Strategy**

This module is assessed via one required assignment worth 30% of the student's mark and a summative exam of 2 hours and 15 minutes that is worth 70% of the student's mark. For the summative exam, students are advised to spend the first 15 minutes reading the instructions and questions.

#### Summative assessment

Assessment Type	Assessment Length	Weighting	Intended Module
		(%)	Learning Outcomes
			Tested
Assessed Assignment	Please see the	30	All
	Assignment Instructions		
	for details.		
Exam	2 hours and 15 minutes	70	All

Assignments for this module can be submitted only once annually, no later than 31 March and must be submitted via the online Assignment Management System.

Timed examinations for DL modules are held once a year, in June (including resits). Examinations in 2021/22 will either be taken in a student's country of residence in one of over 650 examination centres worldwide or will be held online. If the June 2022 module exam is held at a local examination centre, a local fee will be payable direct to the exam centre. This fee will be in addition to the module fee and is set by, and paid directly to, the individual examination centre. The level of local examination centre fees varies across the world and neither the University of London nor the LSHTM have any control over the fee amount. If the June 2022 module exam is held online, no additional exam entry fee will be payable. (Note that for those resitting module assessments, a fee will be payable.)

### Resitting assessment

Resits will accord with the LSHTM's Resits Policy.

The Resit assessment will be the same assessment type as the first attempt (see previous table).

#### Resources

The following materials are provided to students after registration and fee payment for this module in September/October:

- A brief guide to studying the module;
- The textbook *Globalisation and Health* by Johanna Hanefeld (editor);
- A reading list including details of both required and optional reading and links to selected papers;
- A list of useful websites;
- Access to the LSHTM Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) Moodle, where students can access a range of materials, including some of the materials listed above; participate in module-specific discussion forums and online webinar discussion sessions and access the LSHTM online library resources.

Please note the textbook will be made available in e-format or hard copy. All other materials may be accessed via the LSHTM VLE – Moodle.

### **Teaching for Disabilities and Learning Differences**

The module-specific site on Moodle provides students with access to the majority of the module learning materials, including a study guide and online reading list (detailing both essential and recommended readings), and additional resources including supplementary exercises and optional lecture recordings. In some cases, module materials include a text-book that is made available to students in either hard copy or e-format. All materials posted up on Moodle areas, including computer-based sessions, have been made accessible where possible. The LSHTM Moodle has been made accessible to the widest possible audience, using a VLE that allows for up to 300% zoom, permits navigation via keyboard and use of speech recognition software, and that allows listening through a screen reader. All students have access to "SensusAccess" software which allows conversion of files into alternative formats.

For students with special needs, reasonable adjustments and support can be arranged – details and how to request support can be found on the University of London Worldwide website at

https://london.ac.uk/applications/how-it-works/inclusive-practice-access-arrangements