



MODULE SPECIFICATION

Academic Year (student cohort covered by specification)	2024-25
Module Code	HHM102
Module Title	Design and Planning of Humanitarian Health Projects
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Faculty	Faculty of Public Health and Policy London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine https://www.lshtm.ac.uk/research/faculties/php
FHEQ Level	Level 7
Credit Value	CATS: 15 ECTS: 7.5
HECoS Code	101317,100617, 101307
Mode of Delivery	Distance Learning
Mode of Study	Directed self-study, through online materials via the Virtual Learning Environment
Language of Study	English
Pre-Requisites	<p>In addition to the general pre-requisites for admission to the MSc/PGDip/PGCert Health in Humanitarian Crises, it is preferable for students to have learned through the material of HHM101 Public Health Information in Humanitarian Crises before embarking on studying the material for HHM102 (if doing both in the same year).</p> <p>This module assumes that students have basic knowledge of the components and terminology of recommended humanitarian interventions in the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ adolescent, child, newborn, maternal, reproductive and sexual health, ✓ communicable and non-communicable disease control, ✓ nutrition, ✓ mental health, and ✓ essential trauma care.



Accreditation by Professional Statutory and Regulatory Body	None
Module Cap (Maximum number of students)	There is no cap on the number of students who can register for this distance learning module.
Target Audience	<p>This module is aimed at those with an interest to work, or who are currently working in programmatic, technical, evaluative, coordination or advisory roles in humanitarian public health programmes.</p> <p>This module is compulsory for students enrolled in the PG Certificate, Diploma and/or MSc Health in Humanitarian Crises programmes.</p>
Module Description	This module will provide an in-depth understanding of humanitarian project design and planning for the selection and implementation of evidence-based humanitarian health projects. This includes an overview of tools and strategies, and their application to designing and planning of real-life humanitarian health projects.
Duration	Distance learning module studies begin on 1 st October 2024. Students may start their studies at any time once they gain access to Moodle and therefore the study materials, and work through the material until the start of the June assessment (although assessment submission deadlines which are earlier than this must be observed).
Last Revised (e.g. year changes approved)	July 2024

Programme(s)	Status
This module is linked to the following programme(s)	
PGCert/PGDip/MSc Health in Humanitarian Crises (Distance Learning - University of London Worldwide)	Core Compulsory



Module Aim and Intended Learning Outcomes

Overall aim of the module

The overall module aim is to:

- provide an in-depth understanding of humanitarian project design and planning for the selection and implementation of evidence-based humanitarian health projects. This includes an overview of tools and strategies, and their application to designing and planning of real-life humanitarian health projects.

Module Intended Learning Outcomes

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

1. Critically analyse and prioritise (including ethical challenges) humanitarian health needs in a given crisis.
2. Propose appropriate interventions in response to public health risks, the operating context, and gaps in the response.
3. Apply a systematic approach to design appropriate and evidence-based humanitarian health projects.
4. Apply project design and planning tools in order to describe a humanitarian health project and establish a foundation for project management and evaluation.

Indicative Syllabus

Session Content

The module is expected to cover the following topics:

- An introduction to project cycle management, including theory of change and project logic, with a focus on design and planning aspects, which will be expanded in the module HHM201 Management and Evaluation of Humanitarian Health Projects.
- Synthesis and prioritisation amongst competing humanitarian needs, including the ethics of health in humanitarian crises.
- Design of contextually appropriate and effective humanitarian health projects: what intervention(s), how to deliver them and whom to target.
- Proposal writing, and development of logical frameworks.
- Resource quantification and development of project budgets and work plans.



Teaching and Learning

Notional Learning Hours

Type of Learning Time	Number of Hours	Expressed as Percentage (%)
Directed self-study	70	46
Self-directed learning	40	27
Assessment, review and revision	40	27
Total	150	100

Teaching and Learning Strategy

Learning is self-directed against a detailed set of learning objectives that are identified at the start of the module to which the online reading, learning activities and study materials are geared. Additional learning materials include: a brief guide to the module, recommended reading from the peer-reviewed literature, live online Moodle sessions hosted by module Tutors, and suggested relevant websites. 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. In addition, written feedback from tutors is provided on the submitted assessments.

Students will be expected to interact with their fellow students, especially over the 4-week period of the written assignment for mutual support. In case of extenuating circumstances, the Module Organisers will ensure that students unable to join the group work are not penalised.

Assessment

Assessment Strategy

The module will be assessed through:

1. An individual Assessed **Assignment (60% of overall module grade; max. 2500 words; structured)**: students will be given a real-life scenario of a crisis and tasked with developing a project concept note with a logical framework, budget and work plan. Students will be given at least 4 weeks to complete the assignment, which must be submitted by 31 March.
2. An individual **Time-Limited Assessment (TLA, 40% of overall module grade, to be completed in 24-hour window in early June, with a recommended time for completion of 3 hours; max word limit 3000 words)** comprising:
 - Short written answers to real-life scenarios (20%)



Assessment Strategy

- Critique of a project concept note or completed planning tool (budget, work plan, etc.) (20%).

Each of the two summative components assesses all module ILOs. If students fail the module overall, they are allowed one further attempt at passing the module: this involves a re-sit of the TLA and/or the Assessed assignment. If they fail the TLA they will have to sit the TLA again; if they fail an Assessed Assignment they will have to submit another (either change of topic or new assessed assignment).

Assignments for this module can be submitted only once annually via the online Assignment Management System.

TLAs for DL modules are held once a year, usually in June (including resits). The assessments are held in accordance with University of London's annual guidance. Please note that for those resitting module assessments, a fee will be payable.

Summative assessment

Assessment Type	Assessment Length (i.e. Word Count, Length of presentation in minutes)	Weighting (%)	Intended Module Learning Outcomes Tested
Assessed Assignment 1	max 2500 words	60%	1,2,3,4
Time-limited assessment	The assessment has a time-limit of 24 hours for completion, with a recommended time of 3 hours for completion, max 3000 words	40%	1,2,3,4

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).

Each assessment subcomponent will require a minimum grade of 1.00 to pass the module. If you fail both you may have to resit one or both subcomponents depending on whether the module is compensatable or not (see Chapter 2 of the LSHTM Academic



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Resitting assessment

Manual). If you pass one subcomponent but not the other, you may only resit the one that was failed.

Resources

Indicative reading list

Module Information can be found on the Virtual Learning Environment (Moodle) containing information about each session and key references for the module. A reading list with core and suggested readings related to each session will be provided to students.

Other resources

The following materials are provided to students after registration for this module once a year in September or October:

- Module course outline/curriculum, with learning objectives and study guide.
- A specialised online (Moodle) resource will be developed for this module which students will work their way through. In addition to narrative/text, the resource will include embedded interactive features:
 - Audio/video recordings with humanitarian health professionals reflecting on real-life design and planning experiences.
 - Quizzes and practicals.
 - Pre-recorded video lectures with notes and slides.
- Reading list for each topic (required and optional).
- Design and Planning Toolbox that can be downloaded and used offline (includes all tools and templates covered by the module).

In addition to the materials above, students are given access to the LSHTM Virtual Learning Environment, Moodle (for web-based discussions forums etc.) and the LSHTM online library resources. Students will benefit from lectures delivered by humanitarian health professionals with extensive experience.



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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, the option to listen to recordings of selected lectures taking place in London. In this module, materials provided include a textbook that is made available to students in 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: [Inclusive practice and Access arrangements | University of London](#)