A brief overview: Tropical Medicine Courses

On the following pages you will find a list of selected courses on tropical medicine and healthcare in developing countries. These courses are recommended by MSF for assignments in most of the countries we work in. Depending on your job profile, your participation in one of these courses may be mandatory in order to apply for a position with MSF in the field. Therefore, please check the requirements listed on our website or in the information brochures.

Please also check with the respective organisation concerning date and price variations.

For medical doctors only:

Location: BERLIN, Germany
Course title: Tropical Medicine and Public Health
Focus: Prevention, diagnosis, therapy, control of tropical diseases, public healthcare & administration
Language: English (language certificate necessary)
Duration: 3.5 months
Date: Autumn – Winter 2015
Deadline for application: 31st March 2015
Price: approximately € 5,250 for professionals
Remarks: This course is also the basic module for the one-year Masters in International Health. The course can lead to a Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Public Health, if the Clinical Management of Tropical Diseases and Parasitology in Public Health courses are also taken.

Location: BERLIN, Germany
Course title: Clinical Management of Tropical Diseases
Focus: This course is for advanced students only who have completed the Tropical Medicine and Public Health course. It focuses on the applied differential diagnoses and case management for major diseases in developing countries.
Language: English (language certificate necessary)
Duration: 2 weeks
Date: Spring 2015
Deadline for application: 10 weeks before module start (29 Dec 2014) Applications are processed in the order in which they are received
Price: 750.00 € for tropEd MSciH students and alumni
937.50 € for DTMPH students
1125.00 € for short course students
Remarks: The Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Public Health is mandatory for participation in this course. Alternatively, applicants need to demonstrate relevant work experience in the field of tropical medicine.

Location: BERLIN, Germany
Course title: Parasitology in International Health
Focus: This course builds on the knowledge gained during the Tropical Medicine and Public Health course, and focuses on parasitology and entomology.
Language: English (language certificate necessary)
Duration: 1 week
Date: Spring 2015
**Deadline for application:** 10 weeks before module start (12 Jan 2015) Applications are processed in the order in which they are received,
**Price:** € 562 for professionals
**Remarks:** Basic knowledge of parasitology and entomology required (which are gained during the main course Diploma in Tropical Medicine).

**Location:** HAMBURG, Germany
**Course title:** Diploma Tropical Medicine
**Focus:** Public healthcare and mainly parasitic, bacterial and viral tropical diseases
**Language:** German
**Duration:** Approximately 1 month
**Date:** Spring 2015
**Deadline for application:** No deadline (applying early recommended, but it's also possible to gain a place later if numbers permit).
**Price:** € 3,850 (incl. application fee)

**Location:** LIVERPOOL, United Kingdom
**Course title:** Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (DTM&H)
**Focus:** Tropical medicine, epidemiology, parasitology, public healthcare
**Language:** English (language certificate necessary)
**Duration:** 3 months
**Deadline for application:** Applications are processed in the order in which they are received
**Date:** Spring, Summer 2015 Spring 2016
**Price:** Approximately £ 5,500 (incl. exam fees)

**Location:** LONDON, United Kingdom
**Institution:** London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine
**Course title:** Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene
**Focus:** Tropical medicine, epidemiology, public healthcare
**Language:** English
**Duration:** Approximately 3 months
**Date:** Spring 2015
**Price:** Approximately £ 5,500 (course fee) and £210 (exam fee)

**Location:** WÜRZBURG, Germany
**Course title:** Summer Academy – Global Health and Tropical Medicine 2015
**Focus:** Healthcare systems, primary healthcare, determinants of health, socio-political framework, reasons for sickness and poverty, history of development cooperation, medical peace work, infectious diseases, clinical differential diagnoses, gynaecology and paediatrics, forgotten diseases, laboratory medicine under simple conditions
**Language:** German
**Duration:** approximately 2 weeks
**Date:** Summer 2015
**Deadline for application:** 30 June 2014
**Price:** € 240 for students, €320 for professionals

**For medical doctors, nurses, midwives and/or medical students**

**Location:** ANTWERP, Belgium
**Course title:** Tropical Medicine & International Health (Postgraduate Certificate)
**Focus:** Biomedical science, pathology, healthcare in the tropics
**Language:** English (language certificate necessary) or French
**Duration:** 6.5 months (2 modules)
**Date:** Annually, running from Autumn until Spring
**Deadline for applications:** June/July
**Price:** Approximately €1,300 (EU), €2,600 (non-EU)

**Remarks:** The whole course is for medical doctors only, but module 1 is also open to midwives, health economists, etc who have the relevant work experience.

**Location:** COPENHAGEN, Denmark  
**Course title:** Summer School in International Health  
**Focus:** The topics of the course include tropical medicine, health promotion, disease prevention, sexual and reproductive health, social and cultural aspects of health, child health, communicable and non-communicable diseases, health related to water and sanitation, and health in emergencies.  
**Language:** English  
**Duration:** 3 weeks  
**Deadline for applications:** 15 April 2015  
**Date:** Summer 2015  
**Price:** DKK 4,600

**Location:** JENA, Germany  
**Course title:** Tropical Medicine  
**Focus:** Medical facts, social backgrounds, understanding the medical challenges in very basic settings  
**Language:** German  
**Duration:** 4 week intensive course  
**Date:** no dates available yet  
**Price:** free

**Location:** LIVERPOOL, Great Britain  
**Institution:** Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine  
**Course title:** Diploma in International Community Health Care (DICHC)  
**Focus:** Typical disease patterns in tropical countries, basic knowledge of healthcare systems/management and inter-cultural communication with local staff.  
**Language:** English (language certificate necessary)  
**Duration:** 12 weeks  
**Date:** Runs regularly  
**Price:** €4,750

**Location:** TÜBINGEN, Germany  
**Course title:** Seminar in Public Health and Tropical Medicine  
**Focus:** Introduction to community-based primary healthcare and the main tropical diseases, laboratory course  
**Language:** German  
**Duration:** 4 weeks  
**Date:** Annually in February and November  
**Price:** €980  
**Remarks:** Recommended for employees of MSF  
**Link:** [http://difaem.de/fachangebote/seminare/datum/2014/06/04/public-health-und-tropenmedizin/#news](http://difaem.de/fachangebote/seminare/datum/2014/06/04/public-health-und-tropenmedizin/#news)

**Location:** HAMBURG, Germany  
**Course title:** Medicine in the Tropics – tropical medicine course for medical specialists  
**Focus:** General aspects of tropical medicine, including tropical infectious diseases, insects as disease transmitters, basics in epidemiology, general medical aspects of tropical diseases, as well as clinical examination and comparisons of different health systems.  
**Language:** German  
**Duration:** 3 weeks  
**Date:** Annually in Spring  
**Price:** €695
**Location:** BASEL, Switzerland  
**Course title:** Diploma in Health Care and Management in Tropical Countries (HCMTC)  
**Focus:** Management of healthcare on district level, healthcare in tropical countries, education and supervision of healthcare staff.  
**Language:** English  
**Duration:** 14 weeks  
**Date:** Spring – Summer 2015  
**Deadline for application:** End of October of the previous year  
**Price:** Approximately CHF 7,000  
**Remarks:** Limited spaces for participants from industrialised nations (total number of participants 30, and out of those only around 10 from industrialised countries). For university graduates with two years’ work experience. Preparation course possible.

**Location:** BASEL, Switzerland  
**Course title:** General Tropical Medicine course (Allgemeiner Tropenkurs; ATK) – living and working in developing countries  
**Focus:** General modules: social science, ecological and organisational topics and development cooperation. Biomed modules: specific tropical diseases, parasitology, medical ethnomedicine, prevention.  
**Language:** German  
**Deadline for application:** Applications are processed in the order in which they are received  
**Duration:** 8 weeks (General modules: 4 weeks, biomed modules: 4 weeks)  
**Date:** General modules: Autumn 2015. Biomed modules: Autumn 2015  
**Price:** General modules: CHF 2,450, biomed modules: CHF 2,450  
**Remarks:** max. 40 participants

**Location:** LEIPZIG, Germany  
**Course title:** Tropical Medicine  
**Focus:** Building a solid base of tropical medicine know-how, lectures by representatives from different organisations.  
**Language:** German  
**Duration:** 6 weeks  
**Date:** Annually during the semester break  
**Deadline for application:** December of the previous year  
**Price:** free  
**Remarks:** For students aiming to work outside Europe.

**Location:** Stockholm, Sweden  
**Course title:** Health in Humanitarian Assistance (HHA) Course  
**Language:** English  
**Duration:** 8 weeks  
**Date:** Spring 2015  
**Deadline for application:** Any time! Get in touch through MSF’s HR department.  
**Price:** Only accommodation and travel to be paid for by the participants.  
**Remarks:** Participation is only possible after recruitment by MSF. 50% of the course is taught online.

**Location:** AMSTERDAM, The Netherlands  
**Course title:** Sexual and Reproductive health and Rights including HIV/AIDS  
**Focus:** Improving antenatal, prenatal, postpartum and newborn care; providing family planning, including infertility services; eliminating unsafe abortion; combating sexually-transmitted infections; reproductive and urinary tract infections; promoting sexual health.  
**Language:** English
**Duration:** 3 weeks  
**Deadline for application:** 9 January 2015  
**Date:** Spring 2015  
**Price:** € 2,010  

**Location:** AMSTERDAM, The Netherlands  
**Course title:** Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (NTC)  
**Focus:** Objectives: Critically collect, analyse and appraise qualitative and quantitative data relevant to the improvement of health and healthcare in low and middle income societies; identify and analyse interrelated determinants of health and major health problems of populations in a cross-disciplinary perspective in low and middle income societies; plan sustainable improvements of health systems, taking into account diverse intercultural settings and social and ethical responsibilities; clearly communicate and work professionally in a multidisciplinary team.  
**Language:** English  
**Duration:** 3 months  
**Deadline for application:** 2 months before the course starts  
**Dates:** Spring, Autumn 2015  

**Location:** LYON, France  
**Course title:** Pathologie et hygiène en milieu tropical, AMM Formation.  
**Focus:** Etre capable d’effectuer un diagnostic clinique des maladies tropicales en milieu démuni, dans le cadre d’une mission humanitaire : assurer des soins préventifs et curatifs adaptés aux ressources locales ; mettre en place des actions d’hygiène préventive ; assumer la gestion d’un centre de santé.  
**Language:** Français  
**Duration:** 7 semaines  
**Date:** Tous les ans de mai à juin  
**Deadline for application:** 2 semaines avant le début du module. Les inscriptions sont remplies dans l’ordre d’arrivée des dossiers.  
**Price:** 1750€ pour un financement personnel  
2625€ pour un financement dans le cadre de la formation continue  
**Remarks:** Ce module est réservé aux diplômés de la santé.  
**Link:** [http://www.ammformation.org/formation/2/pathologie-et-hygiene-en-milieu-tropical.htm](http://www.ammformation.org/formation/2/pathologie-et-hygiene-en-milieu-tropical.htm)  

**Location:** LYON, France  
**Course title:** Pathologie tropicale et santé communautaire, AMM Formation.  
**Focus:** Etre capable de créer, gérer et exécuter un projet de développement en santé humanitaire : analyser et comprendre les besoins sur place afin de montrer un projet ; assurer des soins préventifs et curatifs adaptés aux ressources locales ; assumer la gestion d’un centre de santé ; mettre en place des actions de prévention, d’éducation sanitaire et faire la promotion de la santé dans les communautés.  
**Language:** Français  
**Duration:** 12 semaines  
**Date:** Tous les ans de septembre à décembre  
**Deadline for application:** 2 semaines avant le début du module. Les inscriptions sont remplies dans l’ordre d’arrivée des dossiers.  
**Price:** 3000€ pour un financement personnel  
4500€ pour un financement dans le cadre de la formation continue  
**Remarks:** Ce module est réservé aux diplômés de la santé.  
**Link:** [http://www.ammformation.org/formation/3/pathologie-tropicale-et-sante-communautaire.htm](http://www.ammformation.org/formation/3/pathologie-tropicale-et-sante-communautaire.htm)  

**Location:** LYON, France  
**Course title:** Santé communautaire, AMM Formation.  
**Focus:** Etre capable de monter un projet de développement en santé, en impliquant les populations locales : analyser et comprendre les besoins sur place afin de monter un projet ;
mettre en place des actions de prévention, d’éducation sanitaire et faire la promotion de la santé dans les communautés ; travailler avec l’ensemble des acteurs locaux.

Language: Français
Duration: 6 semaines
Date: Tous les ans de mars à avril
Deadline for application: 2 semaines avant le début du module. Les inscriptions sont remplies dans l’ordre d’arrivée des dossiers.
Price: 1600€ pour un financement personnel
2225€ pour un financement dans le cadre de la formation continue.
Link: http://www.ammformation.org/formation/1/sante-communautaire.htm

ONLINE Course: Institute for International Medicine (INMED), USA
Course title: Diseases of Poverty Self-Paced Course
http://inmed.us/courses/course/view.php?id=7
Focus: Equip clinicians to prevent, diagnose and treat the most prevalent and unfamiliar diseases of poverty.
Language: English
Duration: 90 days
Price: US$49/100 (without/with Continuing Medical Examination Credit)

ONLINE Course: Institute for International Medicine (INMED), USA
Course title: International HIV Medicine Self-Paced Course
http://inmed.us/courses/course/view.php?id=24
Focus: Assess HIV disease status, communicate effective HIV prevention, lead effective prevention of mother-to-child HIV transmission, manage appropriate treatment of HIV infection, manage common HIV-associated opportunistic infections, care for children affected by HIV.
Language: English
Duration: 90 days
Price: US$29/60 (without/with Continuing Medical Examination Credit)

ONLINE Course: West Virginia University, USA
Course title: Clinical Training Course in Tropical Medicine and Travellers` Health
http://www.hsc.wvu.edu/som/tropmed/tropical-medicine-course/
Focus: Identify major global issues in tropical public health, discuss clinical tropical diseases frequently encountered in the developing world, diagnose and treat these diseases, implement field-based preventive and control measures for major communicable/infectious diseases, manage travel-related illnesses.
Language: English
Duration: 2 months (in person), 4 modules, each of those 4 lasts for 4 months (online, module 3 has to be completed on site)
Deadline for application: Early booking reduction until March 2014
Date: June–November
Price: US$1,650–4,600, depending on the number of modules

ONLINE Course: Royal Tropical Institute, the Netherlands
Course title: Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights, including HIV/AIDS (e-learning)
http://www.kit.nl/health/training/sexual-reproductive-health/
Focus: Improving antenatal, prenatal, postpartum and newborn care; providing family planning, including infertility services: eliminating unsafe abortion; combating sexually-transmitted infections; reproductive and urinary tract infections; promoting sexual health.
Language: English
Duration: 8 weeks
Deadline for application: 1 February 2015
Date: Spring 2015
Price: €1,200

SHORT courses for physicians, nurses, midwives and/or medical students

These courses are NOT accepted as preparation for a field mission with MSF due to their short duration. However, as the content of these courses is very relevant and interesting, we still recommend participation.

Location: WÜRZBURG, Germany
Course Title: A variety of courses in tropical medicine
Language: German
Duration: 5 days
Dates: Throughout the year

Location: TÜBINGEN, Germany
Course title: Course of the AGGE (Akademie für Globale Gesundheit und Entwicklung /Academy for Global Health and Development)
Language: German
Duration: 1 day/weekend courses
Remarks: Further interesting short courses are listed on the AGGE website

Location: BORSTEL, Lübeck, Germany
Course title: Clinical Tuberculosis
Focus: Tuberculosis in the context of care
Language: German
Duration: 3 days
Date: Summer 2014
Price: €195 (EU), €245 (non-EU)

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ONLINE Courses

West Virginia University, USA
http://www.hsc.wvu.edu/som/tropmed/tropical-medicine-course/

Institute for International Medicine (INMED), USA
http://www.inmed.us/courses-inmed/self-paced-courses/
DISEASES OF POVERTY SELF-PACED COURSE
INTERNATIONAL HIV MEDICINE SELF-PACED COURSE

Further information about various courses can be found online at www.goinginternational.org under «medicine & health».
You can also find information at www.foring.org