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 MSclH 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

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 ethnology, 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 http://www.kit.nl/kit/Sexual-and-Reproductive-health-and-Rights-including-HIVAIDS  
**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  

**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, midwifes 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)

**Addresses of Institutes/Organisations**

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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