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, which are recommended by MSF for an assignment in some of their countries where we work. 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 (Institute of Tropical Medicine and International Health, Berlin)
Focus:
- emphasises natural and medical sciences related to international health (as compared to more social-sciences oriented courses);
- has a balanced mix of younger and more experienced, medical and non-medical participants as well as basic research and practical field work orientation;
- has an international student body originating from all continents.
Language: English (language certificate necessary)
Duration: 15 weeks, including 5 working days rest and recovery
Date: 4 September – 15 December 2017
Deadline for application: end of March
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 (Institute of Tropical Medicine and Institutional Health)
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: 27 February - 10 March 2017
Deadline for application: 10 weeks before module start (19 December 2016)
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: Medical degree (qualification as physician) and successful completion of the Charité core course of the MScIH programme, or medical degree and professional experience in the field of infectious diseases and tropical medicine. Registered nurses, clinical officers etc. with experience in providing curative patient care may apply for a special permission to be admitted.
Location: BERLIN, Germany
Course title: Parasitology in International Health (Institute of Tropical Medicine and International Health, Berlin)
Focus: This module builds on core course teaching. See “Remarks” section for background reading.
This module will address aspects not yet covered in the core course of the following issues:
• Laboratory exercises (microscopy): helminths, malaria, other protozoa
• Serology in parasitology
• Medical entomology
• Disease control and eradication: E.g. soil transmitted helminths, malaria, onchocerciasis, schistosomiasis, dracunculiasis.
Language: English (language certificate necessary)
Duration: 1 week
Date: 20.-24. February 2017
Deadline for application: 10 weeks before module start (Dec 12, 2016) Applications are processed in the order in which they are received
Price: € 375.00 for tropEd MScIH students and alumni
€ 468.75 for DTMPH participants
€ 562.50 for Short Course participants
Remarks: We recommend the following textbook:

Contact Details Berlin:
Charité Medical School Berlin
c/o Institute of Tropical Medicine Berlin
Augustenburger Platz 1 /Südring 2-3
13353 Berlin, Germany
Tel: +49 30450565700
Fax: +49 30450565989
Email: mscih-student@charite.de
https://tropeninstitut.charite.de/
http://www.troped.org/

Location: HAMBURG, Germany
Course title: Diploma Tropical Medicine (Bernhard-Nocht-Institut für Tropenmedizin)
Focus: Public healthcare and mainly parasitic, bacterial and viral tropical diseases
Language: German
Duration: Approximately 3 months
Date: 3 April - 30 June 2017
Deadline for application: No deadline (applying early recommended, but it’s also possible to gain a place later if numbers permit).
Price: € 3.970 (incl. application fee)

Contact Details Hamburg:
Bernhard-Nocht-Institut für Tropenmedizin
Bernhard-Nocht-Str. 74
20359 Hamburg, Germany
Tel: +49 40 42 81 80
Email: bni@bniimt.de
http://www.troped.org/
Location: LIVERPOOL, United Kingdom
Course title: Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (DTM&H),
Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine
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 (90 places)
Date: 30 January – 28 April 2017
28 August – 24 November 2017
29 January – 27 April 2018
Price: £ 6,000

Contact Details Liverpool:
Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine
Pembroke Place
Liverpool L3 5QA, United Kingdom
Tel: +44 151 705 3100
Fax: +44 151 705 3370
Email: info@lstmed.ac.uk
www.lstmed.ac.uk

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
Deadline for application: 5 January 2017
Date: 25 September – 15 December 2017
Price: £6,400.00 (payable within ca. 3 weeks of notification of offer)

Contact Details London:
London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine
Course & Admission Enquiries
Keppel Street
London WC1E 7HT, United Kingdom
Tel: +44 20 7636 8636
Fax: +44 20 7636 5389
Email: registry@lshtm.ac.uk
http://www.lshtm.ac.uk/

Location: WÜRZBURG, Germany
Course title: Summer Academy – Global Health and Tropical Medicine
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, gynecology and pediatrics, forgotten diseases, laboratory medicine under simple conditions
Language: German
Duration: 2 weeks
Date: 24 July – 05 August 2017
Deadline for application: from January 2017
Price: € 200 for students, €350 for professionals, no data of costs available but (slight) increase is almost certain
Contact details Würzburg:
Missionsärztliches Institut
AG Gesundheitsdienste und HIV/AIDS
Salvatorstr. 22
97074 Würzburg, Germany
Tel: +49 931 79010
Email: johanna.paul@medmissio.de
http://www.medmissio.de/veranstaltungen/kurse
- und - seminare/index.html/sommerakademie

Location: TÜBINGEN, Germany
Course title: Public Health und Tropenmedizin, Akademie für Globale Gesundheit und Entwicklung
Focus: Recognise the main health risks in poor countries and deploy preventive and curative measures. Issues related to development policies, human rights, der equal rights and the implementation of participative methods.
Language: German
Duration: 4 weeks
Date: 06 February – 03 March 2017
Deadline for application: now
Price: € 1.200 (including textbooks and learning material)

Contact details Tübingen:
AGGE
Mohlstraße 26
72074 Tübingen, Germany
Tel: +49 7071 7049014
Email: info@difaem.de

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

Location: ANTWERP, Belgium
Course title: Tropical Medicine & International Health (Postgraduate Certificate), Institute of Tropical Medicine
Focus: Biomedical science, pathology, healthcare in the tropics
Language: English (language certificate necessary)
Duration: 6,5 months (2 modules)
Date: Module 1 runs from the first Monday of September until the start of the Christmas holidays in December (16 weeks). Module 2 starts early January and finishes half March (8 weeks).
Deadline for applications: 1 July 2017
Price: Approximately €1,500 (EU & EFTA), € 3.000 (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.

Contact details Antwerp:
Instituut voor Tropische Geneeskunde
Nationalestraat 155
2000 Antwerpen
Belgium
Tel:+32 3 345 55 55
info@itg.be
www.itg.be/itg/
Location: COPENHAGEN, Denmark  
Course title: Summer School in International Health, University Copenhagen  
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: 1 April 2017  
Application-form:  
https://isis.ku.dk/eblanket/respondent/besvaranonym.aspx?evalid=13019&sprog=en&guid=81b09723-267d-4fa3-b667-4976c24c07c9-JUE4MBD3ESBPST RWNHekHDDpIG95HTV8pv8LkHGErGkgZBmUqU  
Date: 7 - 18 August 2017  
Price: External students EU/EAA citizens: 4800 DKK; Non- EU/EAA citizens: 7500 DKK

Contact details Copenhagen:  
University of Copenhagen  
School of Global Health  
Oster Farimagsgade 5, building 9  
1353 Copenhagen  
Denmark  
Tel: +45 35322626  
kommunikation@adm.ku.dk  
http://www.ku.dk/english/

Location: LIVERPOOL, Great Britain  
Institution: Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine  
Course title: Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene  
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: 13 weeks  
Dates: 30 January – 28 April 2017  
29 August – 24 November 2017 tbc  
29 January – 27 April 2018 tbc  
Price: GBP 6.000  
Link:  
http://www.lstmed.ac.uk/study/courses/diploma-in-tropical-medicine-hygien e

Contact details Liverpool:  
Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine  
Pembroke Place  
Liverpool L3 5QA, United Kingdom  
Tel: +44 151 705 3100  
Fax: +44 151 705 3370  
Email: info@lstmed.ac.uk  
http://www.lstmed.ac.uk/study
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: 06.11.2017 - 01.12.2017
Price: € 1200
Remarks: Recommended for employees of MSF
Link: Public Health and Tropical Medicine
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Contact details Tübingen:
AGGE
Mohlstraße 26
72074 Tübingen, Germany
Tel: +49 7071 7049014
Email: info@difaem.de

Location: HAMBURG, Germany
Course title: Medicine in the Tropics – course for medical support staff
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: 30 January – 17 February 2017
Deadline for application: 31 December 2016
Price: € 895
Contact Details Hamburg:
Bernhard-Nocht-Institut für Tropenmedizin Bernhard-Nocht-Str. 74
20359 Hamburg, Germany
Tel: +49 40 42 81 80
Email: tropmed@bnitm.de
https://www.bnitm.de

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 (language certificate necessary)
Duration: 14 weeks
Date: 20 March – 23 June 2017, 5 March – 8 June 2018
Deadline for application: 30 November 2016, November 2017
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 Module: 18 September - 13 October 2017
Biomedical Module: 16 October -10 November 2017

**Price:** General modules: CHF 2,450, biomed modules: CHF 2,450

**Remarks:** max. 40 participants

**Contact details Basel:**
University of Basel
Swiss Tropical Institute
Socinstr. 57
4051 Basel, Switzerland
Tel: +41 61 284 8111
Email: courses-tph@unibas.ch
www.swisstph.ch

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**Location:** STOCKHOLM, Sweden

**Course Title:** Public Health Response in Disasters

**Focus:** provides capacity to analyse the pre-disaster context: how vulnerability, burden of disease and health system varies globally. Public health response in disasters provides insight into prioritisation, planning and implementation of preventative and curative public health response

**Language:** English

**Date:** 23 January – 27 April 2017

**Deadline for application:** 17.10.2016

**Price:** SEK 60.000

**Contact details Stockholm:**
Karolinska Institutet
SE-171 77 Stockholm / Sweden
Tel: +46 852480000
E-Mail: anneli.eriksson@ki.se
http://ki.se/en/course/2QA236/16-17

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**Location:** AMSTERDAM, The Netherlands

**Course title:** Sexual and Reproductive health and Rights including HIV/AIDS http://www.ki.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:** 13 January 2017

**Date:** 13 March – 31 March 2017

**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.
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**:  
Start date Spring: 06 March 2017, Start date Autumn: 11 September 2017  
**Price**: € 6.200

**Contact details Amsterdam**  
KIT Amsterdam (königliches Tropeninstitut)  
Mauritskade 63  
1092 Amsterdam  
Netherland  
Tel: +31 20 5688256  
E-Mail: courses@kit.nl  
http://www.kit.nl

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**Location**: GENEVA, Switzerland  
**Course title**: 30th Surgical Seminar “The management of patients with war wounds”  
**Focus**: field experiences and pertinent aspects of international humanitarian law; surgical and anaesthetic techniques and wound management and patient care in difficult conditions  
**Language**: English  
**Duration**: 3 days  
**Date**: 31 March – 2 April 2017  
**Price**: Sfr. 700

**Contact details Geneva**  
IRC  
Av. de la Paix 19  
CH-1202 Geneva  
Carol Paula Bollhaler  
E-Mail: cbollhalder@icrc.org  
https://www.icrc.org/en/event

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**ONLINE Course**: Institute for International Medicine (INMED), USA  
**Course title**: Diseases of Poverty Self-Paced Course  
http://inmed.us/courses/enrol/index.php?id=25  
**Focus**: Equip clinicians to prevent, diagnose and treat the most prevalent and unfamiliar diseases of poverty.  
**Language**: English  
**Duration**: up to 180 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:** up to 180 days  
**Price:** US$29/60 (without/with Continuing Medical Examination Credit)

**ONLINE Course:** West Virginia University, USA  
**No new dates found**  
**Course title:** Clinical Tropical Medicine and Travellers` Health Course  
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 2 weeks (online, module 3 has to be completed on site)  
**Deadline for application:** Early booking reduction until March 2016  
**Date:** June 2016 – March 2017  
**Price:** US$ 1.175 - 4.700 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)  
**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.  
**Application:**  
https://application.kit.nl/index.php?option=com_users&view=registration&course=SRH%252  
**Language:** English  
**Duration:** 3 weeks  
**Date:** 13 March – 31 March 2017  
**Deadline for application:** 13 January 2017  
**Price:** €2010

**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 „Public Health and Tropical Medicine by 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  
http://www.agge-akademie.de
Location: BORSTEL, Lübeck, Germany
Course title: Clinical Tuberculosis
Focus: Tuberculosis in the context of care
Language: German
Duration: 3 days
Date: Summer 2016
Price: €195 (EU), €245 (non-EU)