

EXECUTIVE COURSE

HEALTH DIPLOMACY AND HUMANITARIAN SPACE

NEGOTIATING HEALTH IN THE HUMANITARIAN SPACE

- Intensive three-day course with world-renowned faculty and leading practitioners in humanitarianism and diplomacy
- Combine theory and practice through guest lectures, multi-stakeholder panels, working groups, and discussions with leading practitioners and diplomats
- Meet in the world's global health capital
- Led by the Global Health Programme (GHP) at the Graduate Institute

Dates: 22 – 24 June 2015
Duration: Three full days
Tuition: CHF 1,800
Application deadline: 15 May 2015
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Effective humanitarian health responses in disasters, conflict, and health crisis situations require practical skills and an applied knowledge of humanitarian health diplomacy principles and actions. Health interventions in the humanitarian space involve engaging in multiple levels and fora of diplomacy and therefore necessitate an awareness of the relevant systems and methods of health diplomacy involved. This course is designed to help develop the competencies of participants by deepening their understanding of core concepts and practical applications of humanitarian health diplomacy.

COURSE CONTENT

A review of the challenges facing humanitarian action today, the changing humanitarian landscape, and the intersection of health and humanitarian diplomacy will provide the framework for the course. The course will also discuss case studies of health diplomacy in the humanitarian space and explore the challenges and opportunities for health provision and diplomacy in humanitarian action. In addition, the course will include sessions on topics such as:

- The system and method of humanitarian health diplomacy
- Health as an instrument of relationship building
- Challenges of health diplomacy in the humanitarian space
- The interface of health diplomacy in the humanitarian space and foreign policy
- Ebola, health diplomacy, and humanitarian space
- Diplomacy and the protection of health care workers and facilities
- Health as a Bridge for Peace

The course is highly participatory, drawing on the national and international professional experiences of participants through a multi-disciplinary learning process. It includes lectures by internationally-renowned experts and negotiators, case studies, multi-stakeholder panels, and working groups. Skill-building activities will complement the learning experience.

TARGET GROUP

- Humanitarian practitioners involved in health responses
- Health and international relations professionals in departments of international health, ministries of health, foreign affairs, and development cooperation
- Health attachés and diplomats with a portfolio impacting on health
- Representatives from international, regional and non-governmental organisations
- Professionals in philanthropic organisations, the private sector and academia

OBJECTIVES

- Provide a conceptual framework on humanitarian health diplomacy to guide practical applications in humanitarian health responses
- Analyse examples of successful experiences and best practices in the field of humanitarian health diplomacy
- Explore current challenges and opportunities in health diplomacy in the humanitarian space
- Enhance the effectiveness of participants in humanitarian health response negotiations by deepening their understanding of core concepts and issues

COURSE FACULTY

The course will be directed by:

- Michaela Told, Executive Director, Global Health Programme, the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies
- Daniel Lopez-Acuna, former Director, Health Action in Crisis, World Health Organization
- Mesfin Teklu Tessema, Vice President, Health and Nutrition, World Vision International

CERTIFICATE

Participants who complete the course will receive a certificate of attendance from the Graduate Institute. Participants have the possibility to complement the course with a research paper and earn 3 ECTS (European Credit Transfer System).

THE GRADUATE INSTITUTE, GENEVA: A WELL-ESTABLISHED REPUTATION

The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies is an acclaimed institution of research and higher education dedicated to the study of world affairs, with a particular emphasis on the cross-cutting fields of international relations and development issues. The Institute is a longstanding member of the prestigious Association of Professional Schools of International Affairs (APSIA). Through our core activities, we aim to promote international cooperation and make a contribution to the progress of developing societies. More broadly, we endeavour to develop creative thinking on the major challenges of our time, foster global responsibility and advance respect for diversity.

The Global Health Programme (GHP) is the Graduate Institute's research programme on global health governance and diplomacy. It is one of the first of its kind and it reflects the wider trend in both the practice and the analysis of global health, which pays increasing attention to the links between health, foreign policy, trade and development. The programme builds capacity by engaging in research, knowledge translation and diffusion as well as by conducting executive training in global health diplomacy for and with major stakeholders in Geneva and worldwide. The Global Health Programme offers courses in Geneva in collaboration with the Institute's Executive Education Department and in cooperation with partners in other locations.

Executive Education incorporates the Institute's thematic research on important global issues in its programmes for working professionals, and provides a multi-stakeholder platform for forward-looking analysis and professional development.

A WORLD-CLASS LOCATION

Geneva is internationally recognised as the 'Health Capital of the World'. It hosts not only the World Health Organization (WHO) but also 80 organisations active in global health, with which the GHP is superbly networked, making Geneva an ideal place to study, teach and research global health diplomacy.

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