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 17
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 MSclH students and alumni
€ 468,75 € for DTMPH participants
€ 562,50 € for Short Course participants
Remarks: We recommend the following textbook:

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)

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

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: 16 December 2016, no new deadline given yet
Applications are not yet accepted
Date: 25 September - 15 December 2017
Price: £6,400.00 (including exam fees),

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, gynaecology and paediatrics, forgotten diseases, laboratory medicine under simple conditions
Language: German
Duration: approximately 2 weeks
Date: 24 July bis 05 August 2017
Deadline for application: no deadline given yet probably end of April
Price: € 200 for students, €350 for professionals, no data on costs available but (slight) increase is almost certain

Location: TÜBINGEN, Germany
Course title: Public Health und Tropenmedizin, Akademie für Globale Gesundheit und Entwicklung
Focus: Recognise the main healthrisks 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! (as of 9.1.17: 9 spots remaining)
Price: € 1,200 (including textbooks and learning material)

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.

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
Date: Probably August
Price: External students EU/EAA citizens: 4800 DKK; Non-EU/EAA citizens: 7500 DKK

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: tentatively in March
Price: free

Location: LIVERPOOL, Great Britain
Institution: Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine
Course title: Diploma in Tropical Medicine & 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: 12 weeks
Date: Runs regularly
Price: 6000 £

http://www.lstmed.ac.uk/study/courses/diploma-in-tropical-medicine-hygiene

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 February – 03 March 2017, 30.10-24.11
Price: € 1200
Remarks: Recommended for employees of MSF
Link: Public Health and Tropical Medicine

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

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:** Allgemeiner Tropenkurs (ATK) Leben und Arbeiten in Ländern mit extremer Mittelknappheit  
**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: September / October 2017  
Biomedical Module: October / November 2017  
**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:** 4th quarter  
**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:** 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; 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

**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  
still going on, no info on next year yet  
**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  
**Date**: 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.  
**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: Courses 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 2016  
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