

Migration Health

Facilitators

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Description

Migration health brings together many aspects relating to public health, tropical and travel medicine, social and mental health, infectious and non-communicable diseases in various multicultural contexts. The overall focus lies in assessing and addressing this broad complex of health care needs of mobile and un-rooted populations, as well as translating the major challenges towards improving the health systems of hosting countries. This includes:

- Dedicated awareness of migration health issues within the health system
- Training of health professionals in the context of migration health
- Preparing health systems to meet the requirements of imported health conditions
- Knowledge and use of adequate and accurate diagnostics for improved management of refugees' and migrants' health problems
- Surveillance for potential disease clusters and outbreaks in asylum and refugee reception centres

This course provides a comprehensive overview of the major issues in migration medicine – aiming to promote a better understanding in this rapidly evolving and multifaceted field in the context of public and global health.

In this course you will get insight into current clinical, epidemiological and public health challenges in the assessment and management of migration health-related issues.

Our speakers are experienced specialists in their respective areas of expertise and will share their valuable insights and practical aspects - linking a broad range of disciplinary specialties from social aspects to medical management and relevant research questions. The audience usually represents broad international and diverse backgrounds.

No prior knowledge of migration health is required for this course, which is designed for doctors and medical staff of all levels as well as PhD

students engaged in Epidemiology, Medicine, Global and Public Health related fields. Importantly, active participation with engagement in the interactive course elements is expected of each participant to maximise mutual learning and sharing from each other's expectations and experiences.

Objectives

This course, will allow participants to:

- Identify the major health problems of migrants upon arrival, attributable to the different exposures and risk factors of the often-arduous migration routes
- Uncover healthcare service utilization challenges of migrants in host countries
- Understand the public health impact of migrants' health, with special emphasis on early screening and diagnostics approaches, as well as surveillance practices

Dates

26-28 May, 2025

Eligibility

Open to PhD students of the SSPH+ Inter-university Graduate Campus; other students and external participants are most welcome to apply as well.

Course Structure

The three days course on Migration Health encompasses series of lectures, panel discussions, group work, as well as pre-course reading and preparation.

Assessment

Final group work presentation

Credits

1 ECTS

Preliminary Work: 4 h; Contact time: 19 h; Wrap-Up Work: 4 h

(1 ECTS corresponds to appr. 25-30 hours workload)

Location

Swiss TPH, Allschwil, Seminar Room 5, or online

Course Fees

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| SSPH+ IGC PhD Students | 30 CHF |
| SSPH+ IGC MD Students | 30 CHF |
| External PhD students, external MD Students and Swiss Public Health Doctors in training | 300 CHF |
| Others | 800 CHF |

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Registration

<https://www.conftool.com/ssph-phd-courses2025/>

Deadline for registration 26 April 2025