Master of Public Health (MPH) and MSc Health Policy online chat session

This online chat session is for students interested in studying our Master of Public Health (MPH) and MSc Health Policy courses. The session will be run by academic staff, giving you the opportunity to ask questions about your chosen course at City, University of London. As this is a typed chat group session, you will be able to see the answers to questions asked by other attendees.

Thank you for joining us for today’s session which will run from 17:00 - 18:00 (BST). This is an open chat session for you to ask any questions you have regarding this programme and life at City, University of London. During the session we may also share videos, polls or documents relating to your course.

To ask a question, please type it in the chat box. Your question will not post straight away – it will be sent to our Moderators who will type an answer back. Once their answer is complete, it will be published with your question. You are also welcome to post just saying hi and introducing yourself!

Your moderators today are:
Justin Needle, Programme Director for MSc Health Policy
China Mills, Programme Director for Masters in Public Health (MPH)
Joe Saxon, Marketing Assistant

Hello! I’m Justin Needle, Programme Director for the MSc Health Policy, and I’m looking forward to answering your questions...

Hello and welcome. I’m the Programme Director for the Masters in Public Health, and am looking forward to answering your questions!

Hi everybody. I’m Joe, and I am a Marketing and Recruitment Assistant here at City. I look forward to answering your questions!

Hi I am [name] from [location] and doing bachelor in nanotechnology.

Hi [username] is there anything you’d like to ask us?

Hello! I’m [name] and have applied for the MPH program. Do you have any ties to the WHO or internships with organizations in London we have access to during our study?

Hi [username] great question! A member of the programme team is currently working at the WHO, and exploring internships there. We’re also planning to introduce internships on the MPH from this September.

Hi there, my name is [name] and I am currently graduating senior in International Affairs

Hi [username] many thanks for joining us. Do you have a question for us?
Is this program more science based or interdisciplinary?

Both the MPH, and Health Policy are interdisciplinary. Do you know which programme you’re interested in?

I would be interested in the MPH, so that I could transfer the professional degree back to the US if needed.

Great! Yes the MPH is interdisciplinary and global. We use a lot of international case studies, and core modules include social determinants of health, public health, global health and epidemiology.

I studied abroad at City last Spring and absolutely loved it.

That’s so great to hear!

Hello everyone, I am 🌍 from 🇺🇸 I have received the offer for the MSc Health Policy starting in January 2020.

I would kindly ask you whether you could indicate me the average number of people per class and how does the MSc beginning in January interact with the one starting in September. Do we follow the same modules from January to June?

Moreover, is there the possibility to do a curricular internship during the Master?

Looking forward to your reply, I thank you in advance.

Hi 🌍 we look forward to welcoming you to City. The average number of students will depend on the module - some are quite small (10-15 people) and are seminar-style, which allows for a lot of interaction between students; the largest one (research methods) will be around 100 students.

If you start in January then you will take the same modules as you would if you were starting in September, but in a different order.

Regarding internships, the scheme China mentioned above also applies to the MSc Health Policy - we’re planning to introduce internships from this September.

Does that answer your questions?
Thank you, that helps very much! How large would the cohort typically be?

On the MPH, there's usually between 20-30 students each year, but some modules will have a larger or smaller number of students on (see Justin's answer above). There's also quite a lot of emphasis on small group work.

As for applying, is the Fall cohort filled for the MPH? If so, are spots generally on a rolling basis or are there hard deadlines for semesters?

It's still possible to apply to start in September. We usually accept applications until the end of August.

Hi my name is [name], I am a gold medalist who received 22 gold medals in my pharmacy degree in 2018 from [name]. I found that in my curriculum of pharmacy degree that public health needs more attention and invasive research so as to be cost effective with quality of services laid upon in order to increase the quality and quantity of public health needs from grassroots level too. I am interested to excel! Is there any availability of scholarship? And also I need a prospectus so I could know more in depth what this master demands from me so that I could polish my skills more. Thanks for this platform.

Hi thanks for this. There are scholarships - you can find out more through this link [link], and there's lots of information about the programme on the website.

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On regards to admissions, when will the decisions be sent out?
This happens on a rolling basis, and we try to get back to people within a few weeks after they've applied.

Dear Mr. Needle,

thank you for your kind reply.

Last question: about how many days per week will there be lectures? are those lectures all in the same building?

Thank you in advance.

Hi [name],

the number of days per week will depend on the modules you take, but you should expect to come into the University around 3-4 days a week during the first 2 terms (less in Term 3). Some lectures are all day (10am-5pm, with breaks), others are 3 hours.

Lectures are in different buildings but they are all quite close together.

Dear Mr. Needle,

thank you for the information.

Looking forward to joining City University next January!

Best regards

Looking forward to seeing you! Please email me if you have any further questions. Best wishes, Justin

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Is it possible to do the MHP if I'm working full time as well?

Hi [name], you can study the MPH part-time, and then you could also work - we have quite a few students doing this. It wouldn't be feasible to do the MPH full-time and work full-time.

Thank you very much for all this information it has been so helpful!

thanks [name], so glad it's been helpful, and hope to see you in September.
I always had a keen interest in prevention of communicable diseases and improving standard of health hence wish to pursue something which will help me with this.

Yes this is exactly the kind of thing you'd learn about on the MPH - we look at prevention of both communicable and non-communicable diseases; and at implementing global public health intervention plans.

Hi I done M.D from ...in 2008 been here in uk since 2012 but not working in the field anymore. I want to do masters in public health so I can pursue my profession. Do I need to do IELTS n wts the minimum I need. If I got 5 less will I still be able to start n continue my English course alongside.

Hi, yes you'd need IELTS at 7, with a minimum of 6.5 in each category. You can't do the English course alongside but you could do a pre-sessional course run by INTO.

Hi, more information about this course is at https://www.city.ac.uk/study/international/pathway-programmes

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Thanks for all the information! Hope to see you in the fall!

Great, thanks for your questions and hope to see you soon!

Thank u for information dear team...hope to c u guys soon

Thank you! and hope to see you in September.

What score required from graduation for MPH??

The pass grade is 50%, for a merit its 60%, and you need to pass all the modules, including a dissertation.
Tha helpz madam...thnk u...thanks team for this interactivr session

So glad its been helpful.

This session has now ended. Thank you for joining us for today’s chat. If you have any further questions please email pgenquiries@city.ac.uk