Global Health is a field of study, research and practice that recognises that the project of reducing disease, safeguarding well being and providing adequate health care is shaped by factors that transcend national boundaries and which are thus beyond the capacity of individual nation states to address individually or through their domestic institutions. Our Introductory Modules in Global Health introduce students to the key concepts and debates in global health, and use case studies to illuminate these inequalities and the political economic social and structural forces that perpetuate them.

In this module - **INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL HEALTH 2** – we focus on the politics of global health in order critically assess the role that governmental, institutional and corporate actors play in financing, governing and delivering health care worldwide. We consider a number of case studies to examine this. These are likely to be global pandemics and biosecurity; HIV/AIDS; tuberculosis and malaria; reproductive health care; global mental health. We conclude by considering the problems of global health governance in a rapidly changing world.

**Aims**
- To introduce students to key concepts and debates regarding what global health is and how it might be secured.
- To provide students with an understanding of the relationship between political, economic and social factors in the delivery of global health initiatives.
- To provide students with the skills to critically evaluate such initiatives and to identify the role of key stakeholders in shaping them.
- To demonstrate the value of interdisciplinary approaches to global health nature of
- To provide insights into the use of particular methodological and epistemological tools in the production of global health research.

**Key recommended text books**


INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL HEALTH II


Coughlin SS. (2003) “Ethical issues in epidemiologic research and public health practice.” Emerging Themes in Epidemiology. 3: 16. [www.ete-online.com/content/3/1/16](http://www.ete-online.com/content/3/1/16)


Useful websites


Global Health Facts [http://www.globalhealthfacts.org/index.jsp](http://www.globalhealthfacts.org/index.jsp)


Week by week outline (Second Semester)

1. Introduction to Global Health II (One Week)
2 and 3. The Politics of Global Health (Two Weeks)
4. Global Pandemics and Biosecurity (One Week)
5. Case Studies in Global Health: HIV/AIDS (One Week)
6. Case Studies in Global Health: Tuberculosis and Malaria (One Week)
7. Case Studies in Global Health: Reproductive Health Care (One Week)
8. Case Studies in Global Health: Global Mental Health (One Week)
9. Global Health Governance (One Week)
10. Revision Lecture