

POPH90131 Primary Hlth Care in Develop. Countries

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| Credit Points: | 12.50 |
| Level: | 9 (Graduate/Postgraduate) |
| Dates & Locations: | 2010, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: August, Parkville - Taught on campus. Semester 1, Parkville - Taught on campus. Partial Block (Sem 1) or Block (Sem 2) |
| Time Commitment: | Contact Hours: Minimum of 26 hours Total Time Commitment: In addition to the stated contact hours, students are expected to spend at least 80 hours in non-contact study for this subject. |
| Prerequisites: | None, although students doing 505-963 Primary Health Care (Jamkhed, India) should not enrol in this subject. |
| Corequisites: | None |
| Recommended Background Knowledge: | None |
| Non Allowed Subjects: | None |
| Core Participation Requirements: | None |
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| Subject Overview: | This subject will cover the principles and practice of primary health care (PHC) in resource-poor settings, including: history, principles and key elements of PHC developmental contexts, community health workers and local health systems, PHC approaches to disease control, trends in international development for health, global agencies in health, and current demographic and epidemiological trends affecting PHC. A field visit to PHC sites in Melbourne is included. |
| Objectives: | On completing this subject, students should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # Be familiar with the history, principles and elements of primary health care (PHC) in developing countries; # Identify causes of poor community health in developing countries; # Outline a range of models for making health care accessible to different sectors of the community, the approaches taken to manage health services at all levels, and how PHC is adaptable to different settings; # Analyse a PHC management system and evaluate its likely effectiveness in coordinating health services. |
| Assessment: | Open book short answer examination (30%) and a 3,000-4,000-word essay (70%) |
| Prescribed Texts: | A book of readings will be provided. |
| Breadth Options: | This subject is not available as a breadth subject. |
| Fees Information: | Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees |
| Generic Skills: | - |

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| Links to further information: | http://www.sph.unimelb.edu.au |
| Notes: | This subject is a Group 1 elective in the Master of Public Health. |
| Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations: | International Health |