

Global Health, MS

Modality

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Program URL

<https://globalhealthms.georgetown.edu/>

The Master of Science program in Global Health equips students with the necessary skills for positions in global health and development organizations. They are passionate about enhancing the health status of the world's underserved populations.

The Global Health program alumni pursue careers as program managers, policy analysts, researchers, health administrators, or continue onto clinical study or practice. They serve in NGOs, bilateral or multilateral development agencies, government agencies, and consulting organizations.

Academic Policies

The academic policies and procedures of the Global Health program are those specified in the Georgetown University Bulletin (<http://coursecatalog.georgetown.edu/academics/graduate-regulations/>), in the SOH Graduate Student Handbook (https://docs.google.com/document/d/1K8v8MzG3O51BdW_9sOZGm-tw5bTQGWCCY0nXF2-cU/edit?tab=t.0), and in the program's Handbook.

Requirements

To earn the Master of Science in Global Health, students must complete 32 credits of coursework, including 15 credits of core courses and 9 credits of focus-area courses. Students conclude the program with a 14-week field research experience abroad that culminates in a scholarly project (8 credits).

The focus-area courses are electives that provide opportunities for students to focus on specific topics of global health. The five areas of concentration include:

- Disease Prevention and Control
- Health & Development in Africa
- Refugees, Migration, and Humanitarian Emergencies
- Climate Change, Urban Health & Cross-Sector Collaboration
- Health & Development: Management, Economics & Partnerships.

The Field Research Module and Scholarly Paper allow students to conceptualize a successful study, manage data in the field, and prepare a written summary of their findings, in addition to producing a scholarly paper that enhances the academic field of global health and provides a meaningful contribution to the health status of populations around the world.

Code	Title	Credits
GLOH 5501		0-2
GLOH 5503		2

GLOH 5504	0-1
GLOH 5517	3
GLOH 5520	3
GLOH 6601	2
GLOH 6602	2
Focus-Area Course I	3
Focus-Area Course II	3
Focus-Area Course III	3
GLOH 910	8
Total Credits	29-32

Thesis Research Requirements

In lieu of a thesis, students complete a 14-week field research project and scholarly paper.

Field Research Module

During the 14-week assignment, students will either undertake field research or analyze secondary data collected by the host institution. The students will be under the direction of local preceptors who are experts in their field of study. As part of their Field Research Module, students will always need appropriate local approvals for all data collection.

Students will develop and refine their advanced research methodologies and incorporate core skills from across the curriculum. Students will be expected to:

- conceptualize a viable research topic and design a successful study,
- manage data in the field,
- analyze their findings and
- prepare a scholarly paper.

They will undertake field research at one of the international institutions with which the Department of International Health presently collaborates. Sites include:

- Ghana Health Service: the Dodowa Health Research Centre (DHRC), the Kintampo Health Research Centre (KHRC), and the Navrongo Health Research Centre (NHRC)
- University of Health & Allied Sciences (UHAS) in Ho, Ghana
- The Vector Control Research Centre (VCRC) in Pondicherry, India
- The National Institute of Nutrition (NIN) in Hyderabad, India
- International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research in Dhaka, Bangladesh
- El Colegio de la Frontera Sur (ECOSUR) in Chiapas, Mexico
**Spanish language requirement*
- **Oswaldo Cruz Foundation (Fiocruz) in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil**
****Portuguese language requirement***
- World Health Organization – the Western Pacific Regional Office (WPRO) in Manila, Philippines, the Regional Office for South-East Asia (SEARO) in New Delhi, India and the Regional Office for Africa (AFRO) in Brazzaville, Republic of the Congo.

- The National Institute for Medical Research (NIMR) headquartered in Dar es Salaam and additional field stations in Tanzania
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Scholarly Paper

At the conclusion of the Field Research Module, students will write a scholarly paper that enhances the field of global health and provides a meaningful contribution to the health status of underserved populations around the world. Students are required to present their research findings to both the host institution as well as to program faculty.

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A full-time program of study is as follows:

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GLOH 5504		0-1
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GLOH 5520		3
Credits		8-11
Spring		
GLOH 6601		2
GLOH 6602		
Focus-Area Course I		3
Focus-Area Course II		3
Focus-Area Course III		3
Credits		11

Summer or Fall

GLOH 7990	Field Research Mod & Sch Prjct	8
Credits		8
Total Credits		27-30

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