

Mental Health in Low Income Settings

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University of Copenhagen



In this intensive three week course, students will explore the epidemiology and social origins of mental health disease in low income settings. Additionally, students will learn to think critically about designing interventions and scaling up services to affected populations within the confines of a low-income health setting.

Mental disorders are an important cause of long-term disability worldwide and the WHO attributes 31.7% of all years lived with disability due to neuropsychiatric. These disorders are estimated to cause 1.4 million deaths each year and are quickly becoming a dominant cause of ill health worldwide. Partly inspired by the 2007 Lancet Series entitled Global Mental Health; this course explores the topic of mental health disease in low-income countries from a multi-disciplinary perspective.

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THE BASICS:

Tuition: No tuition fee for students from IARU universities

Accommodation costs: DKK 2,500 - 3,000

Field-trip costs: DKK 200

Target audience:

- All students in their last year of undergraduate studies or first year master level studies who have a relevant educational background in public health, anthropology, psychology, or sociology.
- Additionally, the course will accept a limited number of students from the medical sciences with an interest in international health.
- Students should have a history of solid academic performance and previous health related course work.
- A background in mental health is not required

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