

TSC THEMATIC SHORT COURSES IN HUMANITARIAN ACTION

"I GAIN NEW SKILLS WITH SHORT INTENSIVE COURSES"



CERAH's thematic short courses are one-week, intensive programmes on specific issues relevant to humanitarian practitioners. These highly interactive courses allow participants to analyse a range of issues of high importance to contemporary humanitarianism. They are led by senior academics and experienced humanitarian professionals, who guide students to develop their analytic skills and acquire practical tools.

UPCOMING COURSES...

MANAGEMENT

PROJECT CYCLE MANAGEMENT

January

Acquire tools for the assessment, planning, programming, monitoring and evaluation of humanitarian projects using results-based management approaches.

TEAM MANAGEMENT IN HUMANITARIAN SETTINGS

May

Build your expertise and skills to enhance effective team functioning in humanitarian interventions. Explore practical tools to manage conflict and diversity within teams and develop concrete solutions to support the development of individual and collective skills and competencies.

MANAGEMENT, LEADERSHIP, COACHING

May

Strengthen core competencies as a team manager in humanitarian environments. Identify management roles and behaviours and your own self-leadership. Learn to coach staff with an adequate posture implying active listening and qualitative feedback.

CRISIS MANAGEMENT

May

Acquire the fundamentals of risk, security management and legal considerations affecting humanitarian organizations today. Develop a comprehensive response when members of your team are directly targeted or affected by the crisis.

COMMUNICATION, ADVOCACY AND NEGOTIATION

ADVOCACY FOR HUMANITARIAN PROJECTS IN HEALTH

January

Improve your skills and discover new tools to develop effective advocacy strategies for humanitarian interventions in the area of health.

DESIGNING AN ADVOCACY STRATEGY FOR HUMANITARIAN ACTION

February

Develop strategic skills to better analyse specific contexts, map stakeholders, and design effective advocacy strategies in support of operational humanitarian projects.

DIALOGUE WITH COMMUNITIES

February

Develop a comprehensive knowledge and understanding of challenges, opportunities and limits of the dialogue with communities, its theoretical basis and its practical implementation with a focus on communication aspects.

NEGOTIATION IN HUMANITARIAN SETTINGS

March

Enhance your negotiation skills, including in crisis situations, by taking a strategic approach and understanding challenging humanitarian contexts.

MEDIA & HUMANITARIAN ACTION: APPROACHES AND CHALLENGES

March

Develop a global knowledge and understanding of the media landscape in humanitarian settings. Analyse the existing approaches and challenges in order to optimize the interactions as aid actor.

COMMUNICATION IN HUMANITARIAN SETTINGS

December

Analyse the humanitarian communication environment, differentiate communication from information and understand opportunities and challenges brought by new media. Learn how to define a basic communication strategy.



HEALTH

SEXUAL VIOLENCE IN CONFLICT SETTINGS AND EMERGENCIES

March, Sept., Nov. (Geneva and Uganda - in English and French)

Develop a multidisciplinary approach to prevent and mitigate sexual violence, adapted to specific contexts and as an integral part of assistance programmes.

NUTRITIONAL CRISES: ORIGINS, CONSEQUENCES, INTERVENTIONS

May

An overview of nutritional crises, their origins, consequences and interventions, including food security, clinical aspects and treatment of malnutrition and micronutrient deficiencies, the use of nutritional indicators, surveys to assess malnutrition, and response strategies.

SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH (SRH)

May

Analyse SRH issues in emergencies and gain skills to coordinate the implementation of a minimum set of SRH interventions at the onset of an emergency and as an integral part of health

assistance programmes. Designed for mid-level or senior managers (health coordinators, public health professionals).

CHRONIC DISEASES IN HUMANITARIAN CONTEXTS

May

Identify the key chronic diseases encountered in humanitarian contexts, recognise the challenges presented by chronic diseases in emergencies or unstable settings, and implement appropriate care strategies in resource-limited settings. The course places a special emphasis on health strategy development.

HEALTH IN HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCIES

October

Identify the main health problems in humanitarian crises, and discuss response strategies addressing the needs of populations affected by natural disasters, conflicts, and epidemics. Review priority interventions for health, including mental health and reproductive health, water, sanitation, hygiene, and food security, nutrition. This is an introductory course.

LEGAL

LEGAL FRAMEWORK OF HUMANITARIAN ACTION

October

Explore the law governing the recourse to armed force among states and international humanitarian law as they pertain to humanitarian action. Explain the responsibility to protect, and the legal framework of humanitarian access; and apply human rights law in times of emergency and armed conflict.

SPECIAL PROTECTION CHALLENGES AND INTERNATIONAL LAW

May

Examine issues such as sexual violence and terrorism (as well as counter-terrorism), and some of today's most pressing protection challenges. Study the ways international law can be employed to protect men, women, children, persons with disabilities, detainees and aid workers in humanitarian crises, and those whose plight is not formally recognised in legal instruments.

INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL LAW AND TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE

May

Explore the historical and theoretical foundations of criminal and transitional justice efforts, and analyse the judicial and non-judicial mechanisms available to ensure accountability, serve justice and achieve reconciliation.

LEGAL FRAMEWORK OF FORCED MIGRATION

May

Identify who is entitled to protection as a refugee or internally displaced person under international law, understand the challenges raised by statelessness and strengthening the legal responses of humanitarian actors and international lawyers to forced migration.

CONTEXT OF HUMANITARIAN ACTION

HISTORY OF HUMANITARIANISM

September

Analyse the humanitarian contexts since the 19th century, learn about the actors and their motivations as they emerge, debate about ethical, political, operational or legal problems the humanitarian organizations had to face, to make links with current humanitarian situations.

ANTHROPOLOGY AND INTERCULTURAL ASPECTS OF HUMANITARIAN ACTION

November

Analyse humanitarian action from an intercultural and anthropological perspective, and introduce intercultural sensitivity into context analysis and project design.

COURSES STRUCTURE

- One week intensive training (60 hours including private study, pre- and post-course assignments)
- Oral or written exam, individually or in a group
- 2 ECTS credits

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

- 2 weeks before the beginning of the course
- Note:** If you need a visa, registration 6 weeks before the beginning of the course.

FEE

- CHF 1500.-
- Candidates who have paid Geneva taxes for at least one year may be able to apply for a *chèque de formation* (Education support)

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