

Certificate in Global Health Affairs

The Certificate in Global Health Affairs (GHA) provides advanced theoretical, practical and leadership training at the intersection of health and international affairs with a focus on decision-making. The seven course GHA curriculum focuses directly on this intersection, with a powerful give and take between the medical and social approaches to health in every course, providing an ideal platform for cross-sectoral work with NGOs, IOs, government, research, or advocacy. Students who graduate with the certificate distinguish themselves as leaders and innovators through the pursuit of the “science of service” on and off campus. While most GHA students take advantage of traditional internship opportunities at leading international health organizations, many also pursue action-oriented research and leadership projects through a network of partner agencies and through our own student-led community-based research projects in Nairobi, Delhi, and Jerusalem. Throughout the GHA program, students build an evidence-based framework for evaluating project impacts on served communities, service agencies, their own career paths and JKSI.

The certificate consists of two Global Health Core courses and two Methods and Practice core courses, complemented by three elective courses and an internship/field requirement. Students are encouraged, but not required to undertake action-oriented research projects including a thesis or Significant Research Paper (SRP), which may be completed for course credit. It is recommended, though not required, that you take at least one Global Health Core course prior to or concurrent to your first Methods and Practice or Elective course.

Certificate Requirements*

Global Health Core (10 credits) Required-**Both** courses:
INTS 4367 Global Health Affairs: Theory & Practice
INTS 4516 Major Diseases in Global Health

Methods and Practice Core (8-10 credits) Required-**Both** courses:
INTS 4483 Practical Applications in Global Health (3 or 5 credits)
INTS 4423 Introduction to Epidemiology

Elective Courses: Three of the following courses

Health Issues and Interactions

INTS4435 Health and Development
INTS 4492 Health and Humanitarian Aid
INTS 4362 Gender and Health
INTS 4368 HIV/AIDS in Int'l Affairs
INTS 4465 Population and Society *+
INTS 4353 Sustainable Development and Environment +
INTS 4397 Environment and Human Well-Being +

Methodological

MFJS 4912 International Health Communication & Development
GEOG 4584 Geographic Information Systems for the Humanitarian Assistance Certificate +
INTS 4576 Seminar in Community-Based Research*
INTS 4056 Information Management in Humanitarian Crises +
INTS 4342 Project Management +
INTS 4632 Qualitative Research Methodologies +
INTS 4058 Applied Time Series Analysis

*Course not offered every year

+ Only one of these courses may count for elective requirement

Internship

150-hour internships, usually completed by students in the summer between the first and second years of the MA program, are required for the Global Health Affairs Certificate.

Program Director

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For additional information about faculty, visit the website.

Careers

The growing field of Global Health offers a range of policy and field-based jobs; with public, private, and non-profit organizations; and in the U.S. or abroad. The Josef Korbel School of International Studies' Office of Career and Professional Development provides information for careers in global health. Because global health is a new area of focus, GHA provides direct career support through partnership initiatives aimed at securing internship and job opportunities, aggressive research on professional skill needs, career events, and site visits by prospective employers.

Admissions Requirements

This certificate program can only be pursued in conjunction with an MA degree.

In addition, all applicants are required to complete the GHA application. For the certificate application and background materials, visit the Global Health Affairs website.

Deadlines

Please consult our website for the application deadline(s).

Financial Aid

For information regarding federal funding (Stafford loans and PLUS loans) and private loans, please contact the University of Denver's Office of Financial Aid at 303.871.4020 or visit its website (du.edu/finaid). For information regarding departmental scholarships, contact the Josef Korbel School of International Studies at 303.871.2544 or email korbeldadm@du.edu.

*This description is not binding. For the most comprehensive and updated program descriptions and requirements, please review the MA Handbook on our website.



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