

Commonwealth Scholarships for MSc by Distance Learning

The Ifakara Health Institute and the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine invite applications to undertake a **MSc Course by Distance Learning** in:

- [Epidemiology](#)
- [Infectious Diseases](#)
- [Public Health](#)
- [Clinical Trials](#)

These courses are run by the **London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine**. The scholarships are funded by the **Commonwealth Scholarships Commission**. Supplementary study support activities will be organised by IHI to enhance the learners' distance learning experience.

Eligibility

To be eligible to apply for the programme you must:

- live and work in Tanzania **and**
- be involved in research, policy or programmes for better health for Tanzanians either at Ifakara Health Institute or the Ministry of Health or local government organisation or an NGO **and**
- be a citizen of an African Commonwealth country ¹ **and**
- meet the London University academic requirements, by holding:
 - a second class honours degree or equivalent from a university acceptable to London University in health-related disciplines or in statistics or another appropriate subject. Work experience in a health sciences/healthcare setting is desirable but not essential.
 - or**
 - hold an appropriate technical qualification in a health-related field, together with at least three year's relevant experience, which satisfies the University as an equivalent qualification to a second class honours degree.

Selection Criteria

Successful applicants will be selected on the basis of:

- Academic excellence;
- Demonstration of how the training will contribute to health and development within Tanzania;
- Demonstration of how the skills or expertise provided by the training will contribute to the applicant's career progression;
- Aptitude for distance learning.

¹ Botswana, Cameroon, Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, St Helena, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia

How to Apply

Links to the application forms and a checklist are available from www.ihl.or.tz or ishango@ihl.or.tz

All forms should be **submitted by the candidate** to the Postgraduate Admissions Office, University of London External Programme, Stewart House, 32 Russell Square, London WC1B 5DN, United Kingdom

Internal Panels at your Institution and at LSHTM will review candidates and rank them before final submission and recommendations to the Commonwealth Secretariat.

Deadline for Applications

Applications must be submitted **by 31st March 2009**.