

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR ONLINE COURSE SCHOLARSHIP IN HEALTH AND MIGRATION

Organisers: Center for Health and Migration, Austria (CHM)
International Organization for Migration-UN Agency (IOM)

Background

The Center for Health and Migration, Austria (CHM) in collaboration with the UN Agency for Migration International Organization for Migration (IOM), in close cooperation with stakeholders at international, national, and sub-national level, are jointly organizing an online course on Health and Migration. The initiative builds on the successful implementation of online courses on Health and Migration at Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda, conducted in 2020-2021 and the first residential course in 2015, first in its kind in the region, designed and implemented by IOM and Makerere. The course focuses on the nexus of health and migration, which has been identified as one of the crosscutting issues in the African Unions' Migration Policy Framework for Africa and Plan for Action 2018-2030 (AUC, 2018) and explored in the report "Migration and Health: Addressing Current Health Challenges of Migrants and Refugees in Africa - from Policy to Practice" (AU & GIZ, 2021). It intends to support the Africa Agenda 2060 and the free movement of person protocol, endorsed also by countries in East and Horn of Africa, enhancing health aspects beyond borders. The course aims at capacity building in the East and Horn of Africa region in the field of health and migration, building a community of experts of policy making, program development and health and social care professionals.

The organizers invite applications from qualified candidates to this online course training scholarship in Health and Migration.

Course dates

The course will be offered virtually, on Tuesdays and Thursdays (10am-1pm EAT) from 6th October to 3th December 2026.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants

- have a motivated interest in Health and Migration. Priority will be given to those working with migrants, refugees, returnees, IDP or in the field of health and migration including governance, policy making, data management.
- are from any of the East and Horn of Africa countries: Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, Somalia, South-Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania
- hold a bachelor's degree, or a diploma in a health or migration related field with one year work experience minimum.
- work in policy development, program coordination or service delivery as a health care provider, social/humanitarian/development worker immigration officer, port health officer, public health expert or community health expert in communities affected by migration, cross-border settings, refugee and IDP settlements.

Facilitators

The course facilitators are distinguished experts in migration health with broad experience in migration and health policy development and practice.

Course programme

The following topics will be addressed:

- Foundations of migration and health
- Migration Globally, and from an African perspective
- Ethics, Human Rights, and Right to Health of Migrants
- Climate Change, Health, and Migration
- Food Security and Nutrition in Migration
- Gender Issues in Migration
- Epidemiological profile and Health Care Needs of Migrants and Refugees: Communicable Diseases, Non-communicable Diseases, Mental Health, Sexual and Reproductive Health
- Migration Health and Emergencies
- Migrant Workers and Health
- Migration-Responsive Health Systems
- Research in Migration and Health

Format: The course will be offered virtually in an interactive design, including lectures, discussions, case studies and group work. Course material will be made available in an online toolbox.

Course language: English

Certificate: A certificate of completion is issued upon attendance of 70% of sessions and individual delivery of course papers.

Fees: The course is on full scholarship, funded by the Austrian Federal Ministry of the Interior. Therefore, there are no fees required.

Application

Please submit the following documents online <https://forms.gle/GJ634F2DDxaFGPp56>

- Completed application form
- Motivation statement including specific area of interest in Health and Migration (max. 300 words; pdf.)
- A short CV (not more than 2 pages; pdf.)

Discloser: On successful submission of application documents, applicants agree that their personal data can be analyzed in an anonymized format.

Deadline for submission: August 09, 2026, 12.00am (Midnight) East Africa Time

For more information, please contact:

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