

MSc Humanitarian Studies

MSc Humanitarian Health Programme Management

Why Study To Be A Humanitarian Professional?

You look at the human suffering in the world and you want to do something about it. This motivation to make a difference and be a positive force for change is a vital starting point. But to be effective requires knowledge and skills. The post-Cold War World period since 1989, has seen an explosion of complex political emergencies adding to disasters and creating enormous human suffering in many parts of the world. Climate change will worsen the human condition dramatically with floods, drought, hunger, disease and vast population displacements.

For too long humanitarianism has been the preserve of the enthusiastic amateur. This has now changed.

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It is a great step to getting into the humanitarian sector since most other degrees of this type focus on 'development' rather than humanitarian assistance. It provides a good springboard for getting out into the field and applying the skills you have learned from the course.

(Alumni Survey, 2015)

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The Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine (LSTM) is at the forefront of delivering first class, state of the art professional training for people who wish to develop their careers in humanitarian and development work. The courses are designed specifically to this end. They are not a mix and match of modules drawn from many different departments of a University that relate in some way to humanitarian concerns. They are tailored to provide the knowledge required to be professional, effective and at the cutting edge of new ideas in the field. Our humanitarian courses are designed specifically to nurture the passion that you bring, combining it with the best academic and professional knowledge that you will require. Why Study a Humanitarian Masters at LSTM? Our courses are well established and have the highest reputation internationally. They offer a field research component working directly with leading humanitarian organisations (NGO's). This helps newcomers to get this vital first step on the ladder of a multi-billion-dollar industry which offers many and varied opportunities. It offers existing humanitarian development workers the chance to progress in their careers. Field research takes place in a wide variety of countries around the world. Teaching is creative and participatory and responds to the passions and commitment of the individual. You will join a wide and ever-expanding network of likeminded people working all over the world which opens many doors to new experiences and job opportunities.

Students attending our Masters achieve very high standards with many having international publications to their name.