

URBAN HEALTH & GOVERNANCE Short Course

Date:
28 - 31
October,
2014

Course Description

The course aims to sensitize mid and senior level decision-makers about alarming trends impacting urban health, their implications for national and human development, the urgency for multi-sectoral action that addresses complex root causes, and functional systems of governance for health.

The course will identify and appraise emergent issues of urban areas, both globally and within Bangladesh, including the social, political, environmental and economic determinants of health which have implications for health and inequalities in poor urban environments. A field trip to an urban poor settlement in Dhaka will sensitize participants to the lived reality of the urban poor and will encourage participants to critically think about the challenges facing these communities. Current interventions in the health, lived environment, water and sanitation sectors that address the health needs of the urban poor will be assessed and explored through a variety of methods including guest lecturers, group activities and case studies.

An important focus of the course is to understand the current context of urban health systems and governance, including a critical review of governance structures, policies and strategies, and the extent to which they are addressing the needs of the urban poor. Finally, the role of advocacy in improving health equity and contributing to policy change will be emphasized, with guest speakers from successful initiatives discussing their work with urban populations. Potential entry points for advocacy and action at community, local government and national levels will be identified to address urban health inequities, and participants will reflect on relevant action in the context of their own areas of work.

Course Fee

The course fee for the local individual participants is Tk. 10,000 (Taka Ten Thousand) and Tk. 15,000 (Taka Fifteen Thousand) for participants supported by institutions. The course fee will cover the cost of training materials and tuition fee and refreshments. Admission will be confirmed only when the fee is received.

How to Apply

Please send a completed application form to **Tapas Mazumdar**, Research Associate, Email: **tapasmazumder86@gmail.com** before **October 23, 2014**. Applications should accompany a CV with detail contact address. Employed persons should apply through their employer. For any clarification, please call + **880-2-9827501-4, Ext: 6032**.

Venue:

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School of Public Health at
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Global Health,
BRAC University,
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