

The Politics of Global Health Policy Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Political Science and International Relations	Duration	5 Days
Base Fee	\$1,500 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, you will be able to:

- Analyze the **political economy** of global health.
- Evaluate the influence of **geopolitics** and diplomacy on health policy.
- Identify and assess the roles of key **global health actors**.
- Understand the dynamics of **health systems strengthening**.
- Examine the impact of **climate change** on public health policy.
- Critically appraise **health security** and pandemic preparedness frameworks.
- Apply a **human rights-based approach** to health policy.
- Formulate effective strategies for **health policy advocacy**.
- Analyze the complexities of **universal health coverage (UHC)**.
- Assess the role of **technology and innovation** in global health.
- Navigate **donor-recipient relationships** and health financing.
- Understand the politics of **non-communicable diseases (NCDs)**.
- Engage in ethical considerations for **global health governance**.

Target Audience

1. Public Health Professionals
2. Government Officials and Diplomats
3. NGO and Civil Society Leaders
4. Policy Analysts and Researchers
5. Healthcare Administrators
6. Journalists specializing in health and development
7. International Relations Students and Scholars
8. Development Practitioners from donor agencies

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Module 1: Foundations of Global Health Policy

- Defining global health vs. international health.

- Key historical milestones in global health governance.
- Introduction to major global health actors and institutions.
- Understanding the political determinants of health.
- **Case Study:** The WHO's role in the smallpox eradication campaign.

Module 2: The Political Economy of Health

- Analyzing the influence of market forces on health systems.
- Exploring the politics of health financing and foreign aid.
- Understanding the role of corporations in global health.
- The impact of trade agreements on health policy.
- **Case Study:** The TRIPS Agreement and its effect on access to HIV/AIDS medicines.

Module 3: Global Health Diplomacy and Advocacy

- Principles of health diplomacy and negotiation.
- The art of public health advocacy and strategic communication.
- Building effective multi-stakeholder partnerships.
- Navigating power dynamics in international negotiations.
- **Case Study:** The Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) negotiation process.

Module 4: Health Security and Pandemic Governance

- Defining health security and its geopolitical implications.
- International Health Regulations (IHR) and their effectiveness.
- Political challenges of pandemic preparedness and response.
- The role of surveillance and data sharing in global health crises.
- **Case Study:** The political response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Module 5: Climate Change and Environmental Health

- The political dimensions of climate-related health risks.
- Integrating health into climate policy and international agreements.
- Advocacy for climate-resilient health systems.
- Environmental justice and health equity.
- **Case Study:** The politics of air pollution and its health impacts in major cities.

Module 6: Universal Health Coverage (UHC) and Health Systems

- Political and social challenges of achieving UHC.
- Case studies of national health system reforms.
- The role of civil society in advocating for health system strengthening.
- Financing models for UHC and political feasibility.
- **Case Study:** The political journey and public resistance to the Affordable Care Act in the U.S.

Module 7: Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) and Mental Health

- The politics of addressing chronic diseases and their risk factors.
- Industry influence and corporate social responsibility.
- Integrating mental health into national and global health agendas.
- Advocacy strategies for NCD prevention and control.
- **Case Study:** The political battles over sugar taxes and junk food advertising.

Module 8: Ethics, Rights, and the Future of Global Health

- Applying a human rights framework to health policy.
- Ethical dilemmas in resource allocation and global health research.
- The politics of health data and privacy.
- Emerging trends in global health governance.
- **Case Study:** The ethical and political debates surrounding vaccine equity and distribution.

Training Methodology

Our training methodology is designed for maximum engagement and practical application:

- Interactive Lectures.
- Case Study Analysis.
- Group Simulations & Role-Playing.
- Expert Guest Speakers.
- Peer-to-Peer Learning.
- Policy Briefing Exercises.
- Online Discussion Forums.
- Mentorship.

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

- a. The participant must be conversant with English.
- b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate
- c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.
- d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.
- e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.
- f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Online	\$1,000
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$1,500
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
21 Sep 2026	25 Sep 2026	Physical	\$0
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