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# Doctorate



## PhD Medical Research – International Health

Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München • München

### Overview

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Degree	PhD Medical Research – International Health
Course location	München
Teaching language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>English</li></ul>
Languages	Courses are held in English only. PhD theses are written in English only.
Programme duration	6 semesters
Beginning	Winter semester
Application deadline	The application period for the PhD Medical Research - International Health programme is from 1 December until 31 January. Please check our website regularly: <a href="https://www.cih.lmu.de/education/study-programs/phd-program/application">https://www.cih.lmu.de/education/study-programs/phd-program/application</a>
Tuition fees per semester in EUR	None
Combined Master's degree / PhD programme	No
Joint degree / double degree programme	No
Description/content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Infectious diseases and inflammatory disorders (including HIV, TB, and malaria)</li><li>Epidemiology</li><li>Public health</li><li>Health systems research</li><li>Occupational safety and health</li><li>Mother and child health</li><li>Non-communicable diseases</li><li>Mental health</li><li>Medical education</li><li>Qualitative and quantitative methods</li><li>Research skills</li><li>Transferable skills (intercultural communication, conflict management, etc.)</li></ul> <p>Additional support is offered by the <a href="#">GraduateCenter</a>.</p>

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### Course Details

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**Course organisation**

This three-year sandwich programme is aimed at young scientists from low- and middle-income countries. However, scientists who do not originate from low- and middle-income countries but have a focused interest in research on issues regarding low- and middle-income settings are also eligible. Candidates should already be incorporated in research activities, since a research topic and a local supervisor have to be presented at the time of application. In addition, the project has to be sufficiently funded. Two supervisors from Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München (LMU) will then be matched accordingly.

PhD candidates will spend an initial module block of three months (October to December) at the LMU in Munich, Germany, going through different modules. Examples of these modules include the following: introductory modules (international health fundamentals and policy & politics), basic research topics, statistics, scientific management, methodology and research skills, etc.

Subsequently, research will be conducted in the PhD candidates' respective countries of origin. Contact between the PhD candidates, their local supervisor and the supervisors in Munich will be established through regular progress reports and web-based communication. The second module block lasts three months and will take place in Munich one year later, from January to March. Within this module block, PhD candidates have the possibility to select advanced modules based on their need and interest.

In the final period, the PhD candidates will develop drafts of their PhD thesis in collaboration with both their local and LMU Munich supervisors, finalised by thesis submission and defence of the thesis in Munich.

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**International elements**

- International guest lecturers
- Training in intercultural skills
- Projects with partners in Germany and abroad
- International comparisons and thematic reference to the international context
- Content-related regional focus

**Integrated internships**

None

**Special promotion / funding of the programme**

- DAAD

**Name of DAAD funding programme**

"Exceed" - Higher Education Excellence in Development Cooperation

**Course-specific, integrated German language courses**

No

**Course-specific, integrated English language courses**

No

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## Costs / Funding

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**Tuition fees per semester in EUR**

None

**Semester contribution**

Basic fee of 85 EUR + additional fee for the Deutschlandticket

<https://www.lmu.de/en/workspace-for-students/abc-study-guide/semester-fees-for-the-munich-student-union/>

<b>Costs of living</b>	Living costs (including accommodation and health insurance) in Munich range from 1,000 to 1,500 EUR per month.
<b>Funding opportunities within the university</b>	Yes
<b>Description of the above-mentioned funding opportunities within the university</b>	<p>Scholarships are available for selected candidates from low- and middle-income countries according to the DAC list. LMU Travel Grant, LMU Completion Grant.</p> <p>Please have a look at the LMU website:<a href="https://www.lmu.de/en/workspace-for-students/student-support-services/finance-your-studies/scholarships/scholarships-for-international-students/index.html">https://www.lmu.de/en/workspace-for-students/student-support-services/finance-your-studies/scholarships/scholarships-for-international-students/index.html</a>.</p>

## Requirements / Registration

<b>Academic admission requirements</b>	Minimum requirements are either a university degree in medicine or a Master's degree in an appropriate health-related subject. As is customary in a programme with international candidates, fulfilment of entry requirements must be assessed individually.
<b>Language requirements</b>	Proof of English proficiency is required (TOEFL minimum 550 or IELTS 6.0). Alternatively, diplomas of high school or university education with English as the major teaching language may be considered after individual assessment. If you are a native speaker, proof of English is not required.
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<b>Submit application to</b>	Information about the online application process can be found here: <a href="https://www.cih.lmu.de/education/study-programs/phd-program/application">https://www.cih.lmu.de/education/study-programs/phd-program/application</a>

## Services

<b>Possibility of finding part-time employment</b>	The programme is designed as a full-time curriculum. Therefore, there is no possibility of finding part-time employment.
<b>Accommodation</b>	CIHLMU is in the fortunate position of being able to provide accommodation for each PhD candidate in a student dormitory. The CIHLMU student apartment rents are reasonably priced at approx. 350 EUR per month. Each apartment has its own bathroom, free DSL Internet connection and a shared kitchen with six to ten flatmates. The rent also includes heating and electricity. Cleaning of the apartments is not included.
<b>Structured research and supervision</b>	Yes
<b>Research training /</b>	Yes

## discussion

### Support for international students and doctoral candidates

- Cultural and linguistic preparation
- Visa matters
- Pick-up service
- Welcome event
- Help with finding accommodation

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📘 <https://de-de.facebook.com/centerinthealth/>

🌐 <https://www.linkedin.com/company/center-for-international-health>

📷 [https://www.instagram.com/cih\\_lmu](https://www.instagram.com/cih_lmu)

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