

Syllabus

Advanced Lecture on Communication for International Health Sciences 2 "Practical Methods for Conducting Public Health Studies in Communities"

Kobe University
Graduate School of Health Sciences

Term: 2012 2nd Semester

Course meetings: Tuesdays, 5th period, 16:30-18:00, Miyodani campus

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Course description and attainment target: This course will focus on using multiple methods to address a health research question. We will take a holistic integrated approach to research: Topics will include research ethics, developing a research topic, research design, questionnaire development, sampling methods, general statistical analysis, direct observation, participant observation, one-to-one interviewing, ethnographic analysis. As permitted, we will do some fieldwork practice.

Course plan and materials: This is a participatory graduate seminar that will be conducted in English that is easy to understand. Everyone in this course will be a teacher and a learner at the same time. We will select topics for this course together to make the seminar of maximum benefit for each participant. Participants will lead seminar sessions on specific topics the group chooses to explore. We will identify and read relevant publications about those topics. We will also use multimedia resources as appropriate. Participants will give a brief oral presentation on a topic they choose, and they will submit written assignments periodically.

Assessment: Participants must attend at least 13 course sessions to receive a B or higher grade.

Active participation in seminar sessions = 30%

Preparing and leading a seminar session = 15%

Final presentation on specific topic = 15%

Written assignments = 40%

Grading scale: 90-100% = A

80-89% = B

70-79% = C

60-69% = D

Below 60% = F