Bachelor of Science: Global Public Health

OVERVIEW OF MAJOR
Although the world has made tremendous progress in medicine, education, public sanitation and hygiene, global public health challenges such as socioeconomic inequality in child health, sexual and reproductive health and malnutrition still exist. In the Global Public Health programme of Leiden University College you learn to make a difference in the health and well-being of populations. The main goal of this major is to learn skills to develop health promotion programmes and perform research to study main biomedical, sociocultural and environmental factors that can affect population health. It combines both a biomedical as well as a social perspective on global health.

MAJOR TRACKS:
- Biomedical Sciences
- Health & Development
- Health, Behaviour & Society

This major might be for you if you question things like....
- How can I make a difference in the health of communities?
- In what way can our environment influence our health?
- What does a health detective do when there is an outbreak?
- How does culture influence the development of medicine?

Brechje Oonk
The Netherlands
Class of 2017

“I always knew I wanted to do something with health and healthcare but I didn’t want to be a doctor. LUC offered the major Global Public Health where diseases where not only discussed in biological terms but also has a strong focus on the social side of illness and health. Additionally, I liked the interdisciplinary and international approach that really helped me in shaping an understanding of health issues on a global scale.”

What can the future hold?
This broad interdisciplinary major prepares you for a future career in global health practice, as well as further post-graduate studies in health sciences. For example students can work as:
- Health education officer
- Health Policy maker
- Prevention worker
- Health Counselor
- Health care consultant

Some examples of what alumni have done include:
- PhD International Health and Development —Tulane University, USA
- MSc Global Health and Development—University College London, UK
- Intern at Division of Non-communicable diseases—World Health Organization, Copenhagen
The Major Overview below will help you understand how the “track” system works at LUC The Hague, and how by choosing specific tracks you will gain knowledge and expertise in different areas. Though the Liberal Arts and Sciences curriculum will always allow you to have space for electives, the majors and tracks will enable you to have structure within your major.

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