

Admission requirements: Bachelor degree in human nutrition or documented equivalent knowledge. Others interested with different backgrounds are welcome to apply and will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Language: English

Study form: Participatory and interactive, with adequate time for self-study. Six weeks in total for each course.

Credits: 10 ECTS per course
(European Credit Transfer System)

Dates: "The World Nutrition Situation - Data and Issues"
3 January - 10 February
<http://www.uio.no/studier/emner/medisin/nutri/ERN4321/>

"Nutrition, Globalisation and Governance"
22 February - 29 March
<http://www.uio.no/studier/emner/medisin/nutri/ERN4322/>

"Nutrition and Human Rights"
25 April - 31 May
<http://www.uio.no/studier/emner/medisin/nutri/ERN4323/>

It is recommended to combine at least two of the three options, for a minimum of 20 credits totally.

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Are you concerned with how to ensure nutritional well-being of children, women and men in a rapidly globalising world?

If so, have you ever

... **reflected on** how various aspects of globalisation in today's world may affect livelihood and access to adequate food for different people?

... **feared that** certain aspects of economic globalisation may risk to reverse positive nutrition achievements in recent years?



... **wondered** how nutrition policies and programmes are formed and implemented?

... **felt that** your technical expertise might benefit from insight into how governments, institutions and organisations work with nutrition?



... **hoped to see** a more explicit ethical basis for research and action for improved human nutritional conditions - globally, nationally and locally?

... **meant that** greater accountability ought to be expected from states that have committed themselves to pursue food and nutrition policies?

The course series "Global Dimensions of Nutrition" include:

1: The World Nutrition Situation - Data and Issues

- The changing manifestations of malnutrition - challenges, goals and strategies
- The world food outlook
- Available food and nutrition data; their origins, use and misuse
- The United Nations and other actors in generating and disseminating information

2: Nutrition, Globalisation and Governance

- Principles of democracy and "good governance" in enhancing processes towards food and nutrition security
- The role of the state in nutrition policy in the age of globalisation
- The interplay between state, civil society and the private sector in food systems and in affecting food and dietary quality and nutritional conditions
- Mandates, mode of work and performance of key international and regional organisations working with food and nutrition

3: Nutrition and Human Rights

- The international system of human rights promotion and protection: norms, legal instruments, institutions and procedures
- Linkages between human rights, human development, food, health and care
- Freedoms, rights and duties; state and non-state actors
- Obligations and accountability of States Parties to the relevant international human rights conventions
- Monitoring and capacity development as tools in enhancing the right to adequate food and nutritional health for all

