

MMPH6159/ CMED 6202 The practice of public health

Coordinator: Prof D Ip

Course Description:

This course aims to promote the application of public health sciences to a wide range of common problems and issues. Students will be given various scenarios simulating real-world public health problems which can be used to illustrate the wide range of disciplines applicable (from an evidence-based perspective) to the practice of public health. Students will practise the development of a systematic approach to define these problems, search for information to support their assessment, and propose and execute actions to deal with the problems.

Prerequisite: None

Term 2 (Thursday)

Tutors/TAs: Mr Kenneth Hon/ Ms Nicole Tsang
Contact person: Ms Nicole Tsang

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Date	Time	Lecture Topic	Tutors	Venue
15 Jan 2026	6:30 – 9:30 pm	1. Practical 1	Prof D Ip/ Ms Nicole Tsang	TBC
22 Jan 2026	6:30 – 9:30 pm	2. Practical 2	Prof D Ip/ Ms Nicole Tsang	TBC
29 Jan 2026	6:30 – 9:30 pm	3. Practical 3	Prof D Ip/ Ms Nicole Tsang	TBC
05 Feb 2026	6:30 – 9:30 pm	4. Practical 4	Prof D Ip/ Ms Nicole Tsang	TBC
12 Feb 2026	6:30 – 9:30 pm	5. Practical 5	Prof D Ip/ Ms Nicole Tsang	TBC
05 Mar 2026	6:30 – 9:30 pm	6. Practical 6	Prof D Ip/ Ms Nicole Tsang	TBC
12 Mar 2026	6:30 – 9:30 pm	7. Practical 7	Prof D Ip/ Ms Nicole Tsang	TBC
19 Mar 2026	6:30 – 9:30 pm	8. Practical 8	Prof D Ip/ Ms Nicole Tsang	TBC
26 Mar 2026	6:30 – 9:30 pm	9. Practical 9	Prof D Ip/ Ms Nicole Tsang	TBC
02 Apr 2026	6:30 – 9:30 pm	10. Practical 10	Prof D Ip/ Ms Nicole Tsang	TBC

Course Assessment: 30%: in-class participation (individual marks)

40%: group work and presentation (group marks) 30%: written assignment (individual marks)

Recommended Textbooks:

 Guest C., Ricciardi W., Kawachi I., Lang I. Oxford handbook of Public Health Practice. Oxford University Press. 3rd Ed.; 2013.

2. Porta M. A Dictionary of epidemiology. Oxford University Press; 6th Ed., 2014.

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3. Bhopal R. Concepts of epidemiology. Oxford University Press; 3rd Ed., 2016.

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