



TRAINING OPPORTUNITY IN ONE HEALTH: SHORT COURSE ON PANDEMIC PREPAREDNESS WITH A ONE HEALTH APPROACH

An interdisciplinary approach on disease outbreak prevention, mitigation and response

Makerere University launches 1st ever Pandemic Preparedness Course Call for applications: Short Course on Pandemic Preparedness

Are you interested in learning how to respond to pandemics or do you have experience in responding to disease outbreak (especially pandemic)?

The College of Veterinary Medicine (CoVAB) in Partnership with the Makerere University School of Public Health (MakSPH) is organising the first Pandemic Preparedness One Health Course.

The Pandemic Preparedness with One Health approach (PPOH) Course targets diverse responders to infectious diseases whenever and wherever they occur in East Africa. It is designed to equip participants with knowledge, attitudes and skills in outbreak/epidemic/pandemic preparedness and response and create a critical mass of professionals with ability to prepare and respond to disease outbreaks in the EAC region using the One Health Approach. PPOHC is an 82 credit hour course designed to support participants to comprehensively address theoretical and practical aspects of preparing and responding to outbreaks and epidemics using the One Health approach. The case of the COVID-19 pandemic has made the course even more relevant.

The Pilot course will be conducted by Makerere University, Uganda from the 1st to 30th of November, 2020. This is a fulltime course presented in face - to - face encounter and e-learning modes. There will be discussions, case studies, problem based learning, field visits and integration of learning in multi-disciplinary and interactive workshops, giving opportunities for reflection on the experiences of work-based practice.

The Support to Pandemic Preparedness Project (PanPrep) that foresees this course in the EAC Region is funded by the Federal Republic of Germany and implemented by Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) in close collaboration with the EAC Secretariat has developed a Curriculum on Pandemic Preparedness with One Health approach (PPOH) course. The PPOH is a short course is aimed at contributing to the One Health Work force and Institutionalising One Health in the EAC region. This is in partnership with Universities in East Africa.

Applicants for the pilot course;

- i. Must have a minimum of Bachelor's degree from a university recognized in the following areas: human health, animal health/ science, environmental sciences, Agriculture, community development, trade, tourism, economists, social scientists, risk & crisis communicators, logistician etc-(relevant and affected professions)); and
- ii. must be citizens of one of the East African Community Partner States (Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, South Sudan, Tanzania and Uganda)
- iii. Those with experience in responding to disease outbreak (especially pandemic) will have added advantage.
- iv. Ladies are particularly encouraged to apply.

The short course is held in English. Therefore applicants should be highly proficient in both spoken and written English. Application form, CV and credentials should be submitted by **20th October, 2020** to the following emails: principal@covab.mak.ac.ug and lilietuk@gmail.com