



The Pan American Health Organization and the University of South Florida offer the course:



The course "Health in the Americas" is a joint project between the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), Regional Office of the World Health Organization and the Department of Global Health, College of Public Health at the University of South Florida (USF). Together these two institutions have developed this unique and comprehensive course to address the challenges and progress countries face as they attempt to improve health in the Region. Current trends reveal the existence of gaps, disparities, and inequities in health that still persist in the Region.

Course Objectives: Based on the 2007 edition of PAHO's flagship publication, "*Health in the Americas*," the course addresses the issue of health as a human right and examines various critical determinants of health and disparities that persist in our Region. Specifically, this course aims to provide the students with:

- Current knowledge about the health situation and trends.
- Analysis methodology and skills needed to assess and discuss the health situation for countries, sub-regions and the regions in the Americas.

Topics: The course will cover Health Analysis Methods, Demography and Population Trends, Health within the context of Development, Communicable Diseases in the Americas, Chronic Diseases, Behavioral Health Risks, Sustainable Development and Environmental Health, Public Policies and Health Care Systems, Medicines, Health Care Technologies and Research and Global, Regional, and Sub-Regional Initiatives to Improve Population Health.

Course Instructors: A team of instructors and guest lecturers from USF and PAHO will teach the course along with guest speakers from the College of Public Health, the Pan American Health Organization and the countries of the Americas.

Language Requirements: Participants are expected to have a working knowledge of English.

Course Information

Dates of the Course: May 8 to 2, 2011

Cost: US\$2,800 (Cost includes books, course materials/handouts, room, board and meal plan, transportation, and food)

Course Pre-Requisites: A degree from a recognized university in a health related field

Certificate: A certificate will be issued to all participants during closing ceremony

Application deadline: February 14, 2010 An application for Health in the Americas course can be downloaded [here](#)

Payment due: Three weeks after acceptance

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