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## **MSc, PhD, Postdoctoral & Early Career Opportunities in the Population Studies Group at LSHTM**

The Population Studies Group at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine has several training, scholarship and job opportunities currently available:

### **1. MSc Programmes**

The Population Studies Group runs two taught postgraduate programmes: the MSc Demography & Health and the MSc Reproductive & Sexual Health Research.

The [MSc Demography & Health](https://www.lshtm.ac.uk/study/masters/demography-health) equips students with the theories and skills to understand and quantify macro-level population dynamics and their downstream implications for health and health policies. Students are further trained in the analysis of micro-level processes that govern population change, including fertility and reproductive behavior, the exposure to health risks, and population mobility. Analysis tools and techniques are applied to high-income settings where data and information are abundant as well as populations that are covered by partial or deficient information systems.

<https://www.lshtm.ac.uk/study/masters/demography-health>

The [MSc Reproductive & Sexual Health Research](https://www.lshtm.ac.uk/study/masters/reproductive-sexual-health-research) is designed for students interested in acquiring the skills necessary to evaluate and critically assess policy-relevant research into sexual and reproductive health. It provides a non-clinical foundation in family planning, obstetric health, AIDS and sexually-transmitted infections: <https://www.lshtm.ac.uk/study/masters/reproductive-sexual-health-research>

Various scholarship opportunities are available to fund both MScs. Some of these, including [the PIC scholarships](#) are announced later in the year. Keep checking LSHTM's MSc funding webpage for details: <https://www.lshtm.ac.uk/study/fees-funding/funding-scholarships/masters-funding>

### **2. ESRC PhD studentships**

ESRC-funded PhD scholarships are available at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, to start in autumn 2019. We welcome any topic from excellent candidates in the fields of demography or reproductive and sexual health. The websites of the Population Studies Group (<https://psg.lshtm.ac.uk/>) and MARCH (Centre for Maternal, Adolescent, Reproductive and Child Health: <http://march.lshtm.ac.uk/>) have lists of staff who could supervise projects, with their research interests. In the first instance, please contact a potential supervisor, including a CV and a description of research interests well ahead of this deadline.

The closing date for preliminary applications is 8 January 2019.

As part of their scholarship, students may spend a year at the European Doctoral School of Demography (<https://www.eds-demography.org>).



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Full ESRC awards (tuition fees + stipend) are available to UK residents; other EU nationals may receive awards which cover tuition fees only. However, all nationalities, including international students, are eligible for full awards (tuition + stipend) if they use Advanced Quantitative Methods (AQM).

For further details, and application forms, see:

<https://www.lshtm.ac.uk/study/fees-funding/funding-scholarships/bloomsbury-east-london-dtp-demography-pathway>

### 3. ESRC Postdoctoral Fellowships

ESRC Postdoctoral Fellowships are also now available and aimed at those in the immediately postdoctoral stage of their career, to provide the opportunity to consolidate their PhD through developing publications, their networks, and their research and professional skills. The call is open to applicants who have completed their PhD at a research organisation that is part of any DTP or CDT and who are within 12 months of having completed their PhD.

The closing date for preliminary applications is 21 January 2019.

For further details, including call specification, see:

<https://ubel-dtp.ac.uk/current-students/postdoctoral-fellowships-2/>

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

4. **Assistant Professor:** MEIRU (the Malawi Epidemiology & Intervention Research Unit) is looking for an enthusiastic early/mid-career academic (to be based in Malawi) to lead a programme of research at its Karonga site. This research will build on MEIRU's extensive programme of epidemiological and intervention research in chronic non-communicable diseases, and in demographic and infectious diseases research. Deadline 5 December. More information:

<https://jobs.lshtm.ac.uk/Vacancy.aspx?ref=EPH-DPH-2018-16>

5. **Research Fellow:** MEIRU (the Malawi Epidemiology & Intervention Research Unit) is looking for a Research Fellow (based in Malawi) to lead a cluster-randomised trial of a primary school based behavioural intervention to reduce salt intake among adolescents and their families in rural and urban Malawi. Deadline 5 December. More information:

<https://jobs.lshtm.ac.uk/Vacancy.aspx?ref=EPH-DPH-2018-15>

6. **Research Fellow:** ALPHA (the Network for Analysing Longitudinal Population-based HIV data on Africa) is looking for a Research Fellow in Demography & Health to join a team of analysts in London to work on a 3-year research project, funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, to estimate HIV incidence and mortality, and to compare population-based estimates with those emanating from routinely collected data in health facilities. Deadline 9 January. More information:

<https://alpha.lshtm.ac.uk/2018/11/13/alpha-network-is-hiring-a-postdoc/>