THE PROGRAM

International Health Policy & Prospects

This course provides a first-hand look at how global health policy is constructed and examines the challenges of developing effective health programs around the world.

The program covers four main themes:

- **TRENDS IN GLOBAL HEALTH**
  Examining disparities in health status among and within countries and their causes.

- **THE IMPACT OF GLOBALIZATION**
  Analyzing how globalization affects health status at country level, especially in countries in greatest need.

- **UNDERSTANDING HEALTH SYSTEMS**
  Exploring crucial organizational and financial elements of both personal health care and population oriented health systems in the developed and developing world.

- **GLOBAL HEALTH GOVERNANCE**
  Becoming familiar with the roles and challenges faced by organizations promoting health: UN agencies, donors, and non-governmental organizations.

THE INSTRUCTOR

Richard Alderslade has worked for twenty-five years in public health, national and local health administration, research and higher education in the United Kingdom, and for ten years in humanitarian and international health. He is a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of London (FRCP) and the Faculty of Public Health (FFPH), both in the U.K.

Richard Alderslade retired from his post as Senior External Relations Officer and Acting Deputy Director at the U.N World Health Organization’s Office in New York. Since 2006 he has been the Chief Officer of the Children’s High Level Group, an NGO based in London concerned with improving arrangements for child health, education, welfare and protection services across Europe.

In the U.K. he worked with the UK Medical Civil Service, including a Senior Medical Officer appointment as Private Secretary to the Chief Medical Officer; the National Health Service as Consultant in Public Health Medicine and Regional Director of Public Health. Internationally he worked in humanitarian public health work with the World Health Organization’s Regional Office for Europe, as well as the European Union and the United Kingdom Department for International Development in Romania, acting as Adviser to the Romanian Prime Minister’s on the development of child health, welfare and protection services in Romania.

EXCURSIONS

This course goes beyond classroom instruction. Many major international organizations that influence global health policy are headquartered in Geneva. As part of the course, participants will learn from senior policy makers at key organizations, such as:

- The World Health Organization (WHO);
- International Committee of Red Cross (ICRC);
- the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (Global Fund);
- the International Organization for Migration (IOM).

In addition, participants will be able to enjoy tourist attractions in Geneva including a lake boat ride.