

Postgraduate Paediatric Infectious Diseases Programme (part-time with online study)

The programme draws on world-class research and teaching in paediatric infectious diseases and offers a unique opportunity to gain an understanding of the principles that underpin paediatric infection, the ways in which those principles have developed, and to translate this understanding into good clinical and research practice. The Postgraduate Diploma also places the practice of paediatric infectious diseases in the broader context of applied sciences, such as pathogenesis, population biology and epidemiology.

The Postgraduate Diploma in Paediatric Infectious Diseases forms a useful part of doctors' postgraduate medical training and has been designed to direct students through the syllabus required in the EU for clinical training in the subspecialty, but will also be appropriate for those outside the EU.

The MSc builds on the part-time Postgraduate Diploma through a supervised research project and dissertation.

Key facts:

Postgraduate Diploma

- Two-year, part-time programme
- Leads to the award of Postgraduate Diploma in Paediatric Infectious Diseases from the University of Oxford
- Taught by leading experts from Oxford and international institutions
- Blends tutored online modules and residential short courses
- Rich array of electronic resources, including video lectures, case studies, e-journals and discussion forums
- Designed for those in full-time employment who wish to study in parallel

MSc

- One-year, part-time extension to the Postgraduate Diploma
- Leads to the award of Master of Science in Paediatric Infectious Diseases from the University of Oxford
- Supervised research project and dissertation
- To be eligible for the MSc, students must first complete the Postgraduate Diploma in Paediatric Infectious Diseases

Who it is for:

Trainees in paediatrics with MRCPCH or an equivalent specialist qualification or experience if from outside the UK; specialist trainees in paediatric infectious diseases; clinical research fellows.

Syllabus:

- Infectious syndromes
- Therapeutics and Infection Control
- Epidemiology, Immunity, and Immunization
- Bacterial Infections
- Important Viral Infections and Prions
- Imported and Tropical Diseases and Mycobacterial Infection
- Congenital and Neonatal Infection, Sexually Transmitted Disease, and Parasitic Disease
- The Immunocompromised Host
- Fungal Infection

Programme structure:

- Online topics in Paediatric Infectious Diseases
- Two three-day residential courses in Oxford: Infection and Immunity in Children
- PENTA-ESPID training course in paediatric HIV medicine, comprising an online component and a three-day residential component in Rome
- Additional research year for MSc students

University fees 2017-18:

- UK/EU = £4,800
- Overseas = £7,880

Fees are paid for each year of the course and will usually increase annually. Course bursaries worth £2,500 (£1,250 pa) are available to UK/EU students on the Postgraduate Diploma.

ESPID Bursary:

ESPID generously offers bursaries annually for students from poor-resourced countries within the EU and overseas to help with university fees. Diploma applicants are contacted regarding application for these bursaries in June/July prior to the course commencing in September.

Admissions:

Applications for September 2018 entry will open in September 2017. We would recommend early application as the programme is usually oversubscribed.

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