Postgraduate Diploma in Occupational Health

The Diploma in Occupational Health (DOH) offered by the School of Public Health & Family Medicine aims to equip candidates with the values, knowledge and skills to enable them to practice effective and ethical occupational health in a variety of clinical and workplace contexts, as required by South African occupational health and safety legislation.

Applications are invited for this diploma commencing in January 2015, which runs over two years in a blended learning format that includes face-to-face learning at UCT, web-based modules with distance learning, on-line quizzes and practical tasks. Residential contact time will consist of 4 weeks over the two-year cycle for lectures, practicums and examinations. The course is open to medical graduates with at least two years’ appropriate practical experience and having access to workplace-based health services to enable completion of practical assignments.

The curriculum covers the following: • occupational health risk assessment and management • occupational medicine and work ability • occupational health service management and submission of 3 portfolios covering a workplace health risk assessment, work-related clinical case evaluation and designing an occupational health service.

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