



Global Health Academy – Call for Training Offers

1. Overview

Development and implementation of Training Offers for global health researchers

As specific part of GLOHRA's overall task to contribute to building up the future community of global health researchers in Germany, GLOHRA members can request funding to develop and conduct Training Offers for early career researchers (namely, doctoral and postdoctoral researchers) in global health. Trainings are categorized in three funding lines: basic, targeted and advanced.

We are excited to announce that the GLOHRA Training Platform (Learning Management System, LMS) will launch in 2026. This platform will support both online and on-site training, allowing you to easily communicate with participants, share training materials, as well as individually monitor the learning progress.

You will be able to host videos and other training content directly on the platform, as well as track participants' progress throughout your courses.

Especially in the funding line for the basic offers, the GLOHRA Global Health Academy can only fund future contributions to developing online training resources that will benefit not only your immediate trainees but also the broader GLOHRA community. By sharing your expertise and materials, you help support researchers far beyond those attending your sessions.

Basic Training Offers

Main target group: Early career researchers with and without prior contact to global health.

Content: The Basic Modules can be understood as kind of 'crash courses' on topics that are typically taught in a global health Master program. It is required that the topic proposed for Basic Modules have a strong research orientation and are highly relevant for conducting global health research.

Aim: Knowledge dissemination and development of basic research perspectives in global health.

Format: Self-paced online learning (e.g., video clips, wiki/ glossary, reading lists). Smaller on-site sessions may be organized with early career researchers to reflect on their needs and interests related to the topic, ensuring that the insights gathered will be incorporated into the self-paced training.

Output: Self-paced training (with or without synchronous online components), which will be made freely available on the GLOHRA Training Platform.



Targeted Training Offers

Main target group: Early career global health researchers in the planning or initial implementing (not the writing) phase of their research project.

Content: Targeted Training Offers address specific aspects of a research project. These aspects can be content-related or of methodological nature. Moreover, trainings are targeted towards the participants' ongoing research projects and include a critical reflection of the project.

Examples for previously funded trainings: [A Flipped Class on Qualitative Research in Global Health: Theory, Methods, Analysis, Write-Up and Dissemination.](#) | [Systematic review with meta-analysis in Global Health](#) | [Interdisciplinary Summer School on Snakebite Envenoming](#) | [Training Workshop in Global Oncology.](#)

Aim: Knowledge transfer and awareness of characteristic requirements of the training topic in global health, support informed decision-making regarding one's research project, (further) development of specific research skills.

Format: Blended learning with (online-)lectures that can stand alone and synchronous formats such as workshops, simulations, excursions, retreats.

Output: self-contained lectures, which will be made freely available on the GLOHRA Training Platform; depending on the synchronous format: other reusable material (e.g., scripts, reading list).

Advanced Training Offers

Main target group: Final year doctoral researchers and postdocs envisaging a career as global health researcher in or outside academia.

Content: Advanced Training Offers serve to deepen knowledge in an area that not only applies to certain subject areas during the doctorate, but is relevant to most early career researchers who want to continue their career path towards a lecturer/professor or other senior research position.

Potential Topics: E.g., overview on health economics/ financing, cross-cultural settings and collaboration, applying for global health research funding, managing international collaborative research, leading intercontinental and inter-/transdisciplinary projects, measuring impact, implementation science, global health leadership, cooperation with partners outside of academia.

Example for previously funded training: [Participatory leadership in global health collaborations](#)

Aim: Develop and strengthen transferrable skills, becoming familiar with management & coordination of global health research.

Format: Highly dependent on the topic: self-paced formats for content with longer-term validity and focus on knowledge dissemination; synchronous, onsite formats for skill development and confidential exchange.

Output: Self-contained lecture, which will be made freely available on the GLOHRA Training Platform; depending on the synchronous format: other reusable material (e.g., scripts, reading lists, slides).



2. Requirements and Criteria

Mandatory Requirements

- The main applicant must be a full member of GLOHRA.
- Trainings should address transnational health issues, determinants, and solutions in an inter-/transdisciplinary way. The applicants must cover at least two research areas.¹
- Trainings must focus on research competencies in global health (as opposed to global health education). Hence, relevance for research and orientation towards evidence-based global health are key.
- Trainings must have strong interdisciplinary and international components, e.g., by including lecturers from abroad and GLOHRA members from at least two, ideally more institutions in different cities in the development of the training. Additional non-GLOHRA partners can join the organizing team. Offers that focus on members of a single institution, association or location or on an extremely narrowly defined topic will not be funded.

Award criteria

Global health research relevance, scientific quality and originality

- The Training Offer has a strong research orientation and particularly addresses the topic's particularities with regards to global health research.
- The Training Offer cannot easily be funded through other programs and mechanisms. It does not replicate existing trainings (e.g., offered by university services or graduate centers).
- The learning objectives and outcomes of the Training Offer are clear and realistic.
- The proposed training methods are adequate for addressing the learning objectives and outcomes of the Training Offer.
- The concept describes how the training aligns with the competencies outlined in the catalogue of competencies, explicitly indicating which specific competencies are addressed and how the training activities support their development.

Adequacy and feasibility of the training implementation plan, budget, and management procedures.

- The Training Offer concept, including its categorization as basic, targeted or advanced, is coherent and convincing.
- The work plan is coherent; tasks and resources are adequate and allocated in a plausible way.
- The applicants have the operational capacity to carry out the project.

Impact and expected results

- The Training Offer is relevant for early career researchers in global health, especially GLOHRA members pursuing their doctorate or postdoc.

¹ GLOHRA's research areas are: (1) biomedicine, (2) public health, (3) social sciences and humanities, (4) engineering and other sciences



- The Training Offer contributes to academic interdisciplinary, cross-institutional and cross-sector network integration within GLOHRA and promotes peer-coaching among early career researchers in global health (see optional support by the Global Health Academy below).
- The Training Offer contributes to increasing the number of sustainable, high-quality and high-relevance global health research trainings offered in Germany and access to such trainings everywhere.
- Gender and diversity dimensions are appropriately considered (e.g., in team composition, leadership, contents, methods).
- Sustainability dimensions are explicitly considered (e.g., environmental sustainability, reusability of training materials, establishing peer coaching etc.).

Funding conditions

- Trainings must take place in Germany and/or digitally; awarded funds must be spent in 2026. To ensure this, the latest onsite training can take place in mid-November. We encourage to hold the training as early as possible in 2026!
- The maximum contribution per activity is EUR 14.500.
- GLOHRA can support activity costs such as room, equipment and catering costs, travel support as well as costs for the development of related IT solutions. For administrative reasons, **funds will not be disbursed to applicants**, but managed by the Global Health Academy at the University Hospital Bonn.
- In duly justified cases, GLOHRA can cover travel costs for a limited number of national and international speakers and/or participants from low and middle-income countries. Applicants are asked to thoroughly weigh the benefits of in-person attendance against the environmental costs and consider alternatives.
- **Personnel costs cannot be covered.** However, if training occurs over a longer period of time and the applicant team needs coordination support, a student assistant from the Global Health Academy may support the training.
- Researchers employed by German publicly funded research institutions and especially GLOHRA members should not be paid to speak at GLOHRA events. Fees for external speakers should be based on DAAD rates ([DAAD Honorartabelle](#)).
- Content, organization and speaker/participant management is in the hands of the applicant team.

Optional support by the Global Health Academy:

- We provide essential software (iSpring) for training development that includes tools for video cutting and authoring and that is SCORM-format compatible. Our Academy student assistants are available to assist with video editing.
- Academy student assistants can help coordinate on-site events, including hotel bookings, travel reimbursement coordination, and providing on-site support.



- To sustain engagement within training groups, the Global Health Academy promotes peer coaching—a self-organized, supportive environment for early career researchers to connect, share experiences, and grow beyond formal training. For more details, please reach out to the Academy Coordinators.

3. Application

- Proposals must be submitted by e-mail to academy@globalhealth.de by **15 January 2026**, using the [application form](#) provided.
- Applicants are encouraged to contact the Global Health Academy before submitting an application, or even when considering an application. The Academy team will be happy to provide feedback and connect you to other GLOHRA members, where possible.

4. Contact

About the Global Health Academy

The Global Health Academy is an initiative within the German Alliance for Global Health Research (GLOHRA) that supports the next generation of global health researchers, specifically doctoral and postdoctoral researchers (up to seven years post their doctorate) from all disciplines. The purpose of the Academy is to foster science and research as well as education and training in global health. The core is to support scientific capacity-building in global health research by strengthening disciplinary, interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary research skills and competences of early career researchers in global health in Germany. Among other, the purpose is reached particularly by the identification, development and provision of course contents and formats that universities do not/ cannot offer themselves.

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