

Course description Master of Science in Public Health		
Module responsible: Hindrik Vondeling	Last updated: November 2015	Page 1 of 2 pages
Module number: 3967902		
Module title: Health Technology Assessment		
ECTS-points	7.5	
Responsible institute	Institute of Public Health, COHERE – Center of Health Economics Research	
Prerequisites connected to the module	None	
General objectives	<p>The module aims at introducing the multidisciplinary field of health technology assessment (HTA) to the students, with a particular focus on economic evaluation of health care programmes. The module will increase the competencies of the students with respect to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • knowledge on the fundamentals of multidisciplinary and politically oriented assessment of health technology • application of the tools for appraisal of technology assessment reports, with emphasis on tools for appraisal of economic evaluations • understanding of the role of HTA and economic evaluation as an input to decision making in policy and practice 	
Specific competency objectives	<p>After participating in the module the student should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • describe the field of health technology assessment (HTA) • describe how HTA can be used to support decision making in health care • explain the role of economic evaluation of health care programmes in HTA • appraise the quality of reports on the economic evaluation of health care programmes • independently perform an assessment of the quality of a report on economic evaluation of health care programmes 	
Time of teaching	3 rd semester, 2 nd quarter (Autumn semester)	
Competency profile of the education	This module contributes to the elements 4, 8, 10 and 11 of the competency profile of the education (see MSc in Public Health curriculum section 1.4)	

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Type of teaching	In this module the students will acquire new knowledge on fundamentals of multidisciplinary and politically oriented assessment of health technology in lectures. Students will train their ability to apply the tools for appraisal of technology assessment reports in case-studies, group discussions and group exercises.	
Prerequisites connected to the exam	None	
Type of examination	Written report with oral examination The students must hand in a written group report of 5 pages per student and must do an individual oral exam of 20 minutes based on the paper Internal censorship Graded by the 7-point grading scale	
Evaluation at the grade 12 / evaluation Pass	Grade 12 is given if the student has shown excellent performance, having comprehensively fulfilled the module's objectives with no or only a few minor weaknesses	
Approved by	The Academic Study Board of Public Health	Approved on 14 August 2014