

# Distance learning programme: Key concepts in food and nutrition security

The Netherlands, available throughout the year

## Focus of the course

This course is a computer-based self-study tutorial. The course is meant for participants who do not have a background in food security and/or nutrition as a way to get acquainted with current issues in food and nutrition security. For those who do have a background in food security and/or nutrition, the tutorial can serve as a refresher.

The course can be followed through the internet or from a CD Rom. The necessary backstopping will be given by course staff.

The course consists of 5 main chapters to know: the world food situation, statistics and epidemiology, nutritional assessment, nutrition physiology and food hygiene and preservation. Concepts such as household food security, nutrition security, nutrition in the lifecycle, right based approaches, sustainable livelihood approaches are explained.

## Training methods

The course is mainly designed for self-paced learning, with no personal instruction. Use is made of the latest instructional methods in e-learning such as:

- Illustrative case studies
- Interactive tests and exercises with reinforcement feedback

Additional resources include links to online resources, recommended reading, self-study tutorials, checklists, practical guidelines, and manuals.

Estimated time needed for the whole course is 40 hours.

## Who can participate?

The course targets staff of governmental and non-governmental organisations in the following positions:

- Policy and planning staff at the national and sub-national level with responsibility for promoting community and household food and nutrition security within different sectors (agriculture, education, health, community development, local government, planning, etc.)
- Staff working at management and co-ordination level in the planning, management, implementation and monitoring of community food security and nutrition programmes or rural development programmes with nutrition components
- Staff working in action-oriented research, advisory and teaching positions directly relevant to food and nutrition security.

## Requirements for admission

Applicants should meet the following requirements:

- BSc. (as a minimum) or its equivalent in the field of food and nutrition, food science, home economics, agriculture, medicine or a related field of study professional position with tasks related to the theme of the course.
- Competence in the English language.

## Certificate

Participants in a certificate of completion.

## Fees

The tuition fee for this course is € 550. The tuition fee includes administration fees and feedback on demand.



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## Fellowships

**NFP fellowships are not available for this course.**

Wageningen International can NOT provide any funds for financing participants and regrets it is unable to assist applicants in obtaining sponsorship.

## Application

There is no deadline for this course. You can apply directly to Wageningen International.



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