

## UCT-CEHI TRAINING COURSES SUMMARY 2026

COURSE TITLE	AIM AND PURPOSE	DURATION, STRUCTURE AND TIMING	CLOSING DATE, APPLICATION & FEES
<b><i>Postgraduate Diploma in Community Eye Health (PgDCEH)</i></b>	Provides training in eye care programme management to plan, organise and manage community eye health programmes at national, district or facility level. It does not provide a clinical training in ophthalmology.	Duration: one year (February to November) Structure: Four (4) semester courses delivered in blended format. First 6 contact weeks in Cape Town (mid-February to end-March), followed by synchronous and asynchronous online lecture sessions. Practical exercises and assignments, including development of a district eye care plan.	<b>Closing dates:</b> <b>PgDCEH - 30 September</b>  <b>MSc Surgery- send email to <a href="mailto:cehi@uct.ac.za">cehi@uct.ac.za</a></b>
<b><i>Master of Surgery (Community Eye Health) (MScCEH)</i></b>  <b><i>NB: This replaces the Master of Public Health (Community Eye Health track)</i></b>	Provides supervision and support to enable participants to undertake research that might inform the planning and management of eye care programmes. It does not provide a clinical training in ophthalmology. Participation in the UCT-CEHI Volunteer Internship Programme is recommended.	<b>BY MAJOR DISSERTATION ONLY</b>  18 months minimum registration period Eligibility: 4-year Bachelor's degree, satisfactory research concept, completion of Research methods and Community eye Health plus one additional SPHS portfolio of online courses (Leadership and Management or Project Management Essentials)	<b>APPLY ONLINE</b> To apply and obtain information about admission, fees, and funding: <a href="https://uct.ac.za/students/applications-apply-undergraduate-qualifications/application-procedure">https://uct.ac.za/students/applications-apply-undergraduate-qualifications/application-procedure</a>  <b>NB: NO SCHOLARSHIPS!</b>
<b><i>LAM: Leadership and management (for strengthened public eye health services)</i></b>	Provides participants with the core leadership and management skills needed for effective planning, design, and implementation of improved eye care services through development of personal leadership and management strategies.	Duration: 1 week contact / 12 weeks online Structure: 1 week contact workshop (March) or 12 weekly sessions delivered online in asynchronous mode (starts April). Practical exercises and assignments must be completed.	<b>Application due dates:</b> <b>30 days before start of course.</b>  Download course <b>information</b> and <b>how to apply</b> here: <a href="https://health.uct.ac.za/cehi/education/overview">https://health.uct.ac.za/cehi/education/overview</a>
<b><i>PME: Project management essentials (for strengthened public eye health services)</i></b>	Provides training and support to enable participants to develop comprehensive project plans, from conception to feasibility assessment and marketing, based on the project management approach.	Duration: 1 week contact / 12 weeks online Structure: 1 week contact workshop (March) or 12 weekly sessions delivered online in asynchronous mode (starts July). Post-training support is provided for completion of project plans, evaluated, and ready for marketing.	HPCSA Continuous Professional Development (CPD) available  <b>Available on UCT Learning Store!</b> <a href="https://learningstore.uct.ac.za/">https://learningstore.uct.ac.za/</a>
<b><i>CEH: Community eye health (for strengthened public eye health services)</i></b>	Provides participants with the core knowledge and understanding of community eye health, the discipline which focuses on designing and implementing public health interventions against needless blindness and visual impairment.	Duration: 12 weekly sessions starting February Structure: Synchronous and asynchronous online lecture sessions, about key aspects of community eye health. Ideal for district level eye care service managers. Practical exercises and assignments, including development of a district eye care plan.	  <b>Send queries to <a href="mailto:cehi@uct.ac.za">cehi@uct.ac.za</a></b>  <b>NB: NO SCHOLARSHIPS!</b>