

Online Training Course

WASH AND BEHAVIOUR CHANGE

8 weeks

International WaterCentre (IWC)

Custom-designed for practitioners, the IWC's online courses address critical sectoral issues and provide participants with the practical and technical skills they need to drive positive change in the complex world of integrated water management.

This eight-week online training course is built on the IWC's strong foundation in education and adult learning, and offers participants an active learning experience. Students engage with teachers and their peers through an interactive, global online classroom using flipped learning approaches, quizzes, group projects and discussion forums.

MEMBER:



WASH and Behaviour Change

The addition of a hygiene target in Sustainable Development Goal 6 is a clear indicator that conventional WASH approaches need reinventing to integrate a focus on community behaviour if universal and equitable access to water and sanitation for all is to be achieved.

Evidence shows that even after services and facilities have been installed, and some form of health education is imparted, communities continue with risky hygiene practices such as open defecation, handwashing without soap or poor menstrual hygiene.

An integrated approach that uses evidence-based behaviour change interventions, as part of WASH programs, can lead to long-term gains critical to achieving the targets for water and sanitation.

About the course

This course gives participants the knowledge and skills they need to effectively incorporate behaviour strategies into WASH program design and delivery. The course fosters an understanding of when behaviour change strategies should be integrated into WASH programs, and provides the tools to guide the integration of behaviour change into WASH programs.

Key topics

The course will cover:

- Introduction to WASH and Behaviour Change
- Understanding changing WASH behaviours
- Planning – selecting behaviours, target audiences and theory of change
- Formative Research
- Intervention design and pretesting
- Piloting interventions and scaling up
- Monitoring and Evaluation

Learning Objectives

By the end of this course, participants will be able to:

- Understand the need for and role of behaviour change integration into WASH programs;
- Identify alternatives to education and awareness strategies for changing behaviours;
- Plan and design interventions that address risky WASH behaviours, and
- Implement and evaluate behaviour change interventions within WASH programs.

Benefits to the employer

This course offers employers an opportunity to develop the necessary skills in behaviour change interventions in their existing human resource base. With these skills, organisations can diversify their WASH programs to include behaviour change interventions and contribute to successful delivery of water and sanitation.

Awards

Participants can achieve two levels of certificate – a Certificate of Excellence or a Certificate of Participation. Requirements for each of the certificates will be outlined at the commencement of the course.

Cost

AUD \$648 per person (inc. GST).

Group Discounts:

Please contact IWC to find out more.

Unfortunately, the IWC is unable to offer scholarships for online training. However, training will be offered at a discounted rate to participants from low-income countries. Please contact the IWC for further information.

Who should enrol?

The course is designed for WASH practitioners working in civil society or non-government organisations, government institutions, donor organisations, and the water/sanitation/hygiene industries.

IWC's active learning format

The IWC's online training is designed to be highly interactive, encouraging participants to actively engage with teachers and their peers to discuss issues, share ideas and understand the application of new knowledge in a range of contexts and real-world scenarios. Online training includes:

- Flipped learning
- Interactive classrooms/tutorials
- Quizzes
- Group activities
- Discussion forums
- Facilitated learning

Course requirements

Online classes will be held during daylight hours, Australian Eastern Standard Time. Approximately four hours per week will be required to study materials and participate in online classes.

You will also need access to a computer with:

- A minimum internet speed of 256 kb/second (to participate in live classrooms)
- A headset with built in microphone
- Either Microsoft Windows (version XP or greater; Windows Vista, Windows 7 or 8) or Apple OSX (version 10.2 or greater)
- Permission to download, install and run software on your computer as this may be required.

Training team



Edith Kamundi
COURSE FACILITATOR

Edith is a WASH enthusiast who, for the last 15 years, has worked with communities in sub-Saharan African countries Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Burundi, Sudan, Zambia and South Sudan to support the development of sustainable solutions to their WASH challenges.

As a sociologist, she seeks to empower communities to be proactive, and believes in adoption of both modern and traditional simple-yet-forgotten approaches that have protected families for centuries against diarrhoea and other public health problems.



Declan Hearne
TEACHER

Declan has over 10 years of distinguished experience in the leadership and delivery of integrated water management and governance across private, public and nonprofit sectors.

Declan has also successfully managed and participated a range of water governance program in Ireland, Australia, Philippines and Indonesia. These programs include focus on the Water Framework Directives in Ireland, documenting reform processes in Australia, support local policy reforms in Philippines and Indonesia. Declan also has experience support capacity development and support the development enabling environments for a basic water and sanitation services in a number of Pacific Island countries.

Declan has led the development and delivery of customised guidelines for water managers focused on improving sustained service delivery within a IWM framework.

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