

Health Communication in January 2018

Take a Dip, See Your Future

Have you been thinking about updating your knowledge and advancing your career? Do you know you can register for courses in UWI postgraduate programmes as an **occasional** or **specially admitted student**? After completion, if you want to go further or like the experience, you can sign up later for full-time or part-time study in a programme of your choice. *In this new year, consider exploring your options.*

The UWI's Department of Literary, Cultural and Communication Studies invites you to consider taking one or two of its postgraduate offerings this January 2018 beginning with health communication and/or another course. If you have a first degree with at least honours (Second or First Class or a GPA of 2.0 or higher) or a suitable first degree and combination of experience and training in one of the fields listed below you may be eligible to enrol as an **occasional** student (with no examinations) or a **specially admitted** student (with examinations and credits). Your entry will be based on satisfying university matriculation (entry) requirements and postgraduate study regulations. Applications will be reviewed on a competitive basis. Classes begin Monday January 22 and end April 16 2018. Minimum study: one three-hour class and individual three-hour study reading, writing and completing assignments per week.

Are you involved in one of these fields and would like to learn more and grow? Perhaps you are considering a career in one of these fields and would like to explore your learning options? **If you are**

- Health communication professionals in medicine, dentistry, nursing, veterinary medicine, pharmacy;
- Health communication professionals working as communication assistants, officers and managers in the health and other public and private sector areas; health and/or sport journalism; social marketing of health
- Advocates for patient rights, gender rights, child rights, health and sexual reproductive rights, gender-based violence; social and behavioural change
- Volunteers and activists working on reducing and eliminating health disparities and social support;
- Members or employees of community-based, faith-based, citizen-based organizations and activist groups interested in upgrading their knowledge, skills and competencies in health communication;
- Employees in the Ministry of Health, Gender & Child Affairs, Sport & Youth Affairs, regional health authorities
- Employees in health insurance, health provider and health managed organizations with an interest in patient advocacy, patient safety, customer care, provider-patient/caregiver/family communication and service in these areas
- Advertising and campaign assistants, officers and managers interested in health issues and topics;
- Planners, policy-makers, researchers and evaluators in health communication policy and practice; academics or students needing an elective in health communication for your research project, thesis and dissertation topics;

then this may be the right postgraduate course for you to explore.

Perhaps you are simply just curious and would like to know more or chat with someone in person or by telephone. Here is chance to do so from Tuesday 9-Thursdays 19 January 2018 on afternoons. As a special offer, come to the first class this semester on Monday 22 January at 5:00 pm at The Faculty of Humanities and Education Room 314B top floor west, building east of the Main Library. To find out more or to book one of the FREE limited spaces for that introductory class only, please contact:

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