

## CHART A COURSE

# Need for knowledge is spreading

**Course** Master of infectious diseases.

From malaria to melioidosis, this comprehensive two-year course leaves no infection unturned.

“This program addresses the emergence of new diseases and the re-emergence of diseases previously thought to be under control, as well as the effect of global climate change and the changing international security environment [on infectious disease],” says the course director from the University of Western Australia, Professor Geoff Shellam.

The course also encourages engagement and collaborative research with neighbouring countries. It’s an approach that extends to the student body; students from more than 35 countries have undertaken this course since it began in 2007.

Developed in response to an international need for advanced infectious disease training, the course introduces students to the molecular basis of disease and evolution of pathogens, before moving on to specialised units in medical microbiology, tropical infectious diseases, and public and environmental health microbiology. Students also do a semester-long research project.

**Duration** Two years, full time.

**Time** Study 20 hours a week.

**Where** Perth, WA.

**When** Next intake semester one, 2013.

**Link** [pathology.uwa.edu.au](http://pathology.uwa.edu.au).

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