**Module description**

K242 is a multidisciplinary module that explores the complexity of ageing societies and their impact on global health. This exploration focuses on the opportunities and challenges that ageing societies across our interdependent world bring at individual, societal and global levels, particularly around healthcare, health and social care.

The module consists of four ‘blocks’ of study, each comprising four learning guides. These learning guides provide the knowledge, skills and tools students need to engage with the differences and interdependencies in the global health dimensions of ageing societies. Importantly, adapting ageing societies in an era of global health will also be addressed.

**Person specification**

The person specification for this module should be read in conjunction with the [generic person specification](#) for an associate lecturer at The Open University.

As well as meeting all the requirements set out in the generic person specification, you should have:

- an appropriate undergraduate degree (e.g. social policy, sociology, anthropology, psychology, social work, cultural studies, human geography or other allied discipline)
- experience of higher education teaching in social work, social care, health, public health, social gerontology or global health
- home internet/broadband access and sound basic IT skills including the ability to communicate effectively using email, online forums and blogs/wikis
- enthusiasm for engaging with the potential of online dialogue as a medium for both teaching and student support
- experience of individual and on-line teaching.

It would be an advantage to have:

- experience of facilitating teaching using OU Live or equivalent VLE
- experience of supporting students who are relatively new to studying at degree level
- a teaching qualification for the post-compulsory sector or equivalent
- a postgraduate qualification in a relevant discipline
- experience of collaborative/team based online teaching

**Additional information**

- You will be required to access the K242 online forum(s) at least twice a week to check for new messages and respond to student queries as appropriate.
- You will be expected to engage in the K242 tutors’ online forum which has been set up to promote the sharing of information, ideas and good practice
- There may be the opportunity to work in close collaboration with other teaching colleagues. This may involve a shared approach to ongoing student and peer support through team teaching in the context of combining individual students across tutor groups.
- There may also be developmental opportunities to extend your teaching experience.
- This module does not require an AL to hold any nation-specific knowledge associated with policy, practice or legislation and so an appointment need not be aligned to any specific geographical location.

**Module related details - a full explanation can be found on the website**

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