



**2<sup>nd</sup> Disaster Bioethics Summer School  
7<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> September 2015  
University of Birmingham**

**Aims**

This event is targeted at those who respond to humanitarian emergencies and disasters. It will also be useful for academics working in the broad area of humanitarian crisis, particularly in ethics.

The aim of the week is to give participants sufficient skills, knowledge and confidence to work up their own case study material, which could be used to provide some basic ethics training or preparation for humanitarian healthcare workers in one area of the participant's interest or experience.

**Format – ALL SESSIONS WILL BE IN ENGLISH**

The summer school is full time over five days and will involve a combination of lectures and case-based individual and group study sessions, and will give attendees the skills to ethically analyse difficult cases arising in disaster scenarios, as well as the ability to teach these skills to others.

For the second day of the school, we will be joining the UK Defence Medical Services Annual Ethics Symposium for a series of talks and group work focusing on the ethical issues that arise for military medical responders.

The summer school starts at 9am on Monday September 7<sup>th</sup> and will finish at 3pm on Friday September 11<sup>th</sup>. Training will continue into the evenings Monday-Thursday with a series of informative and engaging after-dinner lectures and activities.

**Where is this event taking place?**

It will take place at the University of Birmingham, Edgbaston campus. We can arrange for accommodation at the University's Vale Village, from Sunday night, checking out on Friday.



The Vale Village: the accommodation for this event.

## How to apply for a place and/or funding on this summer school

Places will be offered on a competitive basis.

To apply complete the application form below and email to [costsummerschool@birmingham.ac.uk](mailto:costsummerschool@birmingham.ac.uk)

**The closing date for the first round of places and awards is 16<sup>th</sup> July 2015.**

**The closing date for the second round is 31<sup>st</sup> July 2015.**

Reserve lists and late applicants will be offered places as funding permits.

20 places will be offered in the first instance so applying in the first round is strongly recommended.

Places will be offered on the basis of the strength of the application. Priority will be given to junior researchers, defined as anyone who has yet to be awarded a PhD. Participants do not have to be registered for higher degrees to qualify. Medical students with an interest in humanitarian work are encouraged to apply, as are those working for aid organisations, NGOs or in a military medical capacity.

Awards can only be made to participants from countries that are party to the Disaster Bioethics COST action. See [http://www.cost.eu/COST\\_Actions/isch/Actions/IS1201?parties](http://www.cost.eu/COST_Actions/isch/Actions/IS1201?parties) for the list. Awards are expected to cover the **majority** of the cost of attendance only and are subject to COST rules.

Additional places may be made available for participants who are able to self-fund. If you do not require funding please make this clear on your application. The cost of attending will be not more than £258 (including lunch and dinner but not accommodation) payable in advance. There is no day rate.

If you are successful in obtaining an award you will need to set up an e-COST profile at <https://e-services.cost.eu>, and add your bank details.

### Other information

You will need to bring a laptop to facilitate your group and independent work. Course information will be provided on a memory stick. If this presents difficulties, please let us know at the time of application.

This event is being hosted by Medicine, Ethics, Society and History (MESH) at the University of Birmingham. Trainers will be members of MESH and other experienced participants in the Disaster Bioethics COST action. Indicative programme as follows:

Day	9-10am	10-11	11-12:30	1230-1pm	1-2pm	2-3pm	3-4pm	4-5pm	5-6pm	6-8pm	8-9pm
6th						ARRIVAL				7.30pm dinner	
7 <sup>th</sup>	Introductions	Lecture 1	Lecture 2	Lunch	Lecture 3	History of medicine in Birmingham walking tour (TBC)			Dinner	Lecture 4	
8 <sup>th</sup>	RCDM Ethics Symposium - arrival and registration (9.30-10am)	Series of talks about military response to Ebola		Lunch	Group work	Panel discussion on crisis in Mediterranean	Free time	Lecture 5	Dinner	Speaker 1	
9 <sup>th</sup>	Task setting	Initial group		Lunch	Task setting	Final small groups		Lecture 6	Dinner	Speaker 2	
10 <sup>th</sup>	Individual study		Lecture 7	Lunch	Individual study			Speaker 3	Dinner	Speaker 4	
11 <sup>th</sup>	Presentations (11 x sessions of 15 mins = ~2hrs 45mins) + wrap up			Lunch	Speaker 5	Evaluation and Close					