

When: February 1st-25th 2021 -

Language: English

Duration: 4 weeks

Credits: 3 ECTS

Fee: EUR 0

Registration deadline to SASUF: 10th of January 2021

COVID-19 in Africa: chances or challenges ?

Online course

Coimbra Group Winter School: Global Change and the COVID-19 Pandemic in Africa – Chances or Challenges?



What are the economic, social and cultural effects of the COVID-19 pandemic in different African regions? Identify the challenges with experts and work collectively to formulate solution-based responses.

In this four-week online course programme, we will delve into the economic, social and cultural effects of the COVID-19 pandemic in different African regions. Master and PhD students from Africa and Europe will first attend a keynote lecture and then be introduced to interdisciplinary talks – education, economics, medical anthropology, nature conservation etc.- by tandem of experts from both continents. Students will get to choose one of the topics presented by experts and benefit from interdisciplinary workshops in small groups of 10 led by those experts. They will get the opportunity to tackle practical questions, identify the challenges of covid-19 in Africa and work collectively to formulate solution-based responses.

This innovative online programme will make use of collaborative seminar sessions, some of them students-only, enabling students to delve into the content of the programme in a hands-on and experientially rich way and to get to know each other, starting to build their own international network with their peers.

A final event with project presentations will enable students to develop skills in public speaking, academic writing and critical thinking while receiving constructive feedback.

This short-term study programme can also be a great way to complete some extra credits or explore subject options. You will receive a certificate on completion of the course.

Course coordination

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Target group

For current university students (Masters and PhD) from the Coimbra group (check here if your university is a member: <https://www.coimbra-group.eu/mission-statement/members/>) and from African partner universities.

Fee info

The course is free.

Application?

We keep the number of participants to reasonable numbers to ensure group work is pleasant, effective and with quality interactions for all participants.

By applying to this winter school, you commit

- to attend the keynote lecture and the 5-tandem expert talks (5 x 75min)
- to attend 4 workshops (4 x 90 min)
- to attend the final presentation

To apply:

Masters and PhD students enrolled in an accredited University in South Africa should submit a CV and Motivation Letter (no more than 300 words) to sasuf@uu.se by 10 January, 2021. Additional questions may be addressed to afrikazentrum@uni-wuerzburg.de.