COURSE ON THE MEASUREMENT OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

Build your skills in measuring violence against women in Asia and the Pacific

BACKGROUND

Globally, violence against women is an urgent priority for public health, human rights, economics and public policy. Reliable, comparable data on violence against women are essential to prevention and response efforts. However, technical capacity to collect data about violence against women safely and accurately is limited.

To address a lack of violence against women prevalence data, the University of Melbourne—in partnership with the United Nations sexual and reproductive health agency (UNFPA), Australia’s National Research Organisation for Women’s Safety (ANROWS), and the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)—is pleased to offer the kNOwVAWdata Course on the Measurement of Violence against Women. The kNOwVAWdata course works to sustainably build the capacity of countries to measure the prevalence of violence against women so sound data is available across Asia and the Pacific initially, and eventually globally.

Launched in 2018, this annual 4-week course is offered to professionals seeking to build their skills in measuring the prevalence of violence against women.

THE COURSE

The kNOwVAWdata training course covers key concepts relevant to violence against women, some of which include:

• Tools used to generate reliable, comparable data;
• Processes involved in undertaking a national prevalence study;
• Ethical and safety guidelines;
• Data management, analysis and dissemination;
• Working with qualitative and administrative data;
• Stakeholder engagement; and
• Strategies for ensuring an inclusive approach to understanding violence against women.

“Sometimes you feel alone in-country doing this work and you don’t know who to ask for help and support.

At the kNOwVAWdata course, I saw there are many working on this issue.”

2018 kNOwVAWdata pilot course participant
WHO SHOULD JOIN?
The course trains professionals who are currently or will soon be involved in carrying out violence against women prevalence surveys in their countries. It is geared towards government representatives from national statistical offices and other state institutions, researchers, academics, students and civil society practitioners in Asia and the Pacific.

COURSE STRUCTURE
The kNOWVAWdata course is a 4-week program, conducted in two 2-week blocks. Participants will need to commit to the full program. Completion of the full course will lead to a certificate of professional development from the University of Melbourne. Some blocks of the 2020 course will be eligible for credit towards a University of Melbourne degree if participants enrol for a higher degree.

2020 COURSE DETAILS
Dates, locations and fees for the 2020 course to be confirmed. Please register your interest in the course and stay informed of updates via the below contact information.

Many participants in the 2018 and 2019 courses successfully obtained scholarships worth up to several thousands of dollars. Please contact your internal institution’s scholarships and travel advisors, or local donor agencies if eligible, and consider planning for the kNOWVAWdata course in 2020 budgeting exercises.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE
Request an application form and information pack via the contact information provided below.

To ensure quality of teaching and learning, the number of participants is limited. Applications will be reviewed and shortlisted. You will be informed of the outcome and if successful, requested to pay a deposit. Your place in the course is only confirmed once payment of the deposit has been made.

MORE INFORMATION
To receive information about the 2020 course:

- Email: kNOWVAWdata@unfpa.org
- Email: TL-kNOWVAW@unimelb.edu.au
- kNOWVAWdata initiative website: asiapacific.unfpa.org/kNOWVAWdata
- kNOWVAWdata course website: kNOWVAWdata.com/course
- New interactive multimedia story about the 2018 kNOWVAWdata pilot course: kNOWVAWdata.com/stories/put-violence-against-women-data-on-the-map

“This training has empowered us by enabling us to truly understand data on violence against women so that we can use it for policy and decision-making.”

2019 kNOWVAWdata course participants from Kiribati, Agnether, Melina, Tertitia & Aritia