



The main purpose of HTA is to provide policy-makers with evidence based information, so they can formulate health policies that are safe, effective, patient-focused and cost-effective

Health technology assessment (HTA) is the systematic evaluation of a health technology's capabilities and outcomes, addressing its direct and assumed effects as well as its indirect and unintended consequences, and is intended to inform the decision-making process (<http://www.inahta.org/>).

HTA is a multidisciplinary process of gathering information about the medical, social and ethical issues related to the use of health technologies in a systematic, transparent, objective and clear manner

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**Master in Health
Technology Assessment
(HTA) &
Pharmacoeconomics**



Why attend?

- To gain an understanding of the entire HTA process and the pharmacoeconomic methods
- To be able to read, understand and perform HTA for various health technologies
- The courses are taught by international experts from the UK, Netherlands, Poland, Greece and Bulgaria in Bulgarian and English language
- Provides knowledge to understand the different aspects of process theory, evaluation methods and application of health technology assessment

Why an MSc in HTA & pharmacoeconomics?

- The evolving EU legislative environment has introduced an obligation for Member States to join the European Health Technology Assessment Network, which also raises the need to develop HTA experts

The Master's programme was established under an international project funded by the European Commission Erasmus+ KA2 Strategic Partnership Project on Joint Curriculum Development in Health Technology Assessment (HTA). The programme was developed by a consortium of universities from Europe - Hacettepe University, Ankara, Turkey, University of Liverpool, Liverpool, United Kingdom, Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest, Hungary, Medical University of Sofia, Sofia, Bulgaria, and Medical University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland. Project activities are also supported by participants from the University of Athens, Athens, Greece and the University of Washington, Washington

Who can attend?

Master's in medical specialities (medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, public health, health management)

Masters in chemistry, biology, biotechnology, economics and law

FEEDBACK

"I gained valuable knowledge about the HTA process and how it is applied in EU countries. I became much more confident in my daily work"

—MSc Graduate, Pharma Industry

"My curiosity about how OST as a philosophy can be applied to digital health solutions led me to the master's program. Like-minded people and experts"

—MSc, Health Consultancy

Entry requirements

- Diploma for completed master's degree – a notarised copy
- A document confirming knowledge of the English language
- Motivation letter with short bio

Application deadline

- Submission period: 1st Sept – 30th Sept
- Applications must be made at the Dean's office (2nd floor), Faculty of Pharmacy, Medical University of Sofia
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- Starting: Beginning of October
- Duration: 1,5 years (3 semesters)
- Fee: 2000 euro/year