

Action Research for Planetary Health

Winter Semester 2024/2025

When: Block course: Three blocks:

- 10 hour introductory block on Saturday Nov 2nd
- Biweekly (online) office hours Thursdays, noon.
- 4 hour mid-term block on Tuesday, Dec 17th (10-14:00)
- 10 hour final block on February 10th or 17th(to be confirmed)

Location: to be determined

Course objectives

After the seminar, students will have: (1) obtained new knowledge about Action Research as a special form of research to support transformative change, (2) gained experience in designing and carrying out an Action Research Project, and (3) acquired new skills in collaborative knowledge generation, engaging with stakeholders to support transformative change.

Course Details:

	Date		Topic
Block 1	02.11.24	4 hrs	Introduction to Action Research for Planetary Health
		2 hrs	Discussion and reflection of the concept of Action Research
		4 hrs	Brainstorming research ideas for Planetary Health
Biweekly office hours		1 hr	Individual consultation and feedback on progress
Block 2	17.12.24	4 hrs	Group discussion of projects, presentation of context, reflection of progress,
Block 3	TBC		Presentations of action research projects, reflection, and discussion.

List of preparatory reading

- Cornish, F., Breton, N., Moreno-Tabarez, U. *et al.* Participatory action research. *Nat Rev Methods Primers* **3**, 34 (2023). Available at: <https://doi.org/10.1038/s43586-023-00214-1>
- Bradbury, H., Waddell, S., O' Brien, K., Apgar, M., Teehanke, B., & Fazey, I. (2019). A call to Action Research for Transformations: The times demand it. *Action Research*, *17*(1), 3-10. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1476750319829633>
- Horton R, Lo S (2015). Planetary health: a new science for exceptional action. *Lancet*. *14;386(10007):1921-1922*. [https://doi.org/10.1016/S0140-6736\(15\)61038-8](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0140-6736(15)61038-8)

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