Information and declaration of consent

25 years master programs at IBE – alumni survey

Dear alumni,

You studied the postgraduate master program Public Health and Epidemiology respectively Master of Public Health as well as Master of Public Health - Health Administration and Management at the Institute for Medical Information Processing, Biometry and Epidemiology (IBE) at Ludwig-Maximilian's-University (LMU). In the course of celebrating 25 years of these master programs as well as 10 years of the Master of Science in Epidemiology we want to conduct an alumni survey. This alumni survey displays the point of view of the programs' alumni in retrospective and shall display their professional career. The results of this survey shall be used as core element for evaluating teaching and learning in order to further develop the quality of teaching. Furthermore these results contribute to informing future students about career possibilities after graduating from the program.

What does it mean for you if you participate in this survey?

The survey will be conducted as online-survey. You will be asked to answer some questions regarding your motivation for studying this program, questions regarding the program as well as your professional career after graduation. Time exposure for answering these questions will be approximately 10 minutes.

Participation in this survey does not bear any risk or commitment for you. The results shall contribute to further develop both study programs and for information purposes for future students.

Voluntary action

Participation in this survey is on a voluntary basis. You can quit the online-survey without consequences at any time.

Dealing with answers

Information you provide will only be displayed in anonymized form. It is impossible to draw any conclusions to you personally. All registered answers will be saved with an automatically generated ID-number. Your answers will be evaluated from staff members of the department of Public Health and Health Care Research (IBE) of LMU Munich.

Withdrawal of participation of the survey

You can withdraw at any time from the survey without giving reasons and without having any negative effects. In this case you only have to quit the online-survey without activating the field "send" at the end of the survey.

For questions regarding the survey you can contact the program coordinator Dr. Michaela Coenen (tel. 089 218078216; <u>michaela.coenen@med.lmu.de</u>)

Information on data privacy

The online survey will be conducted according to regulations of the Federal Data Protection Act. Only anonymized data¹ will be registered. All data collected within the scope of the online-survey are subject to data protection regulations.

This online survey was programmed with EvaSys (<u>https://www.evasys.de</u>), software for evaluations and surveys. Participation in this survey is only possible with the link sent to you. Information provided by you will be registered in anonymized way and retrieved and locally administered at the Institute for Medical Information Processing, Biometry and Epidemiology. Collected results will be further processed with the software program SPSS and edited with tables and graphs descriptively. Decoding of the results is not possible, i.e. conclusions to your person are impossible. When it comes to publication of the alumni survey results anonymization of your data is guaranteed.

Final participation in the survey takes only place after activating the field "send" at the end of the survey. Early termination of the survey is possible. In this case your information will not be saved and don't enter into the evaluation.

This alumni-survey was advised by the responsible ethic commission of LMU Munich. EvaSys the software for evaluations and surveys underlies the data protection approval of the data protection officer of LMU Munich.

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¹ Concerning anonymization of data, personal data will be changed in a way that details regarding personal or objective relationships will not be able to be allocated any more or only with unrelated big time exposure, costs and manpower to a certain or identifiable natural person (§ 3 section 6 Federal Data Protection Act). Participants of the survey have the right to require information about the collected personal data.