

Winter 2026 Seminar

Global Nutrition Challenges and Opportunities

Fridays 12:30-1:20 p.m. | Instructor: Adam Drewnowski



REGISTRATION INFO

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Global nutrition trends: Will plant based diets save the planet?

Adam Drewnowski, professor of epidemiology; core faculty in the Food Systems, Nutrition, and Health program; director of Center for Public Health Nutrition, UW

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Modeling diet quality in the Mexican National Study on Nutrition and Health

Alfonso Mendoza Velázquez, Center for Economic Studies (CIE), Universidad Popular Autónoma del Estado de Puebla (UPAEP), Puebla, Mexico

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A framework for food distribution systems in Low and Middle Income Countries (LMIC)

Food Systems, Food and Markets Department, Natural Resources Institute, University of Greenwich, United Kingdom (remote-live)

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Ensuring the sustainability of the food supply: global industry perspectives

Karen Cooper, Nestlé Research Center, Lausanne, Switzerland (remote-live)

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Global Iodine network and nutrition interventions in low and middle-income countries (LMIC)

Jonathan Gorstein, Senior Program Officer, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

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Enviro-nutritional impact of foods to inform LMIC policy making

Flaminia Ortenzi. Senior Technical Specialist, Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN), Geneva, Switzerland (remote-live)

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Interventions to address hidden hunger and micronutrient malnutrition

Leonie Vierck, Senior Program Officer, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

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Building nutritious food systems in Africa and Asia

Shelly Sundberg, Acting Deputy Director, Nutritious Food Systems & Women's Empowerment, Agricultural Development, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

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Preventing and controlling obesity in the WHO European Region

Julianne Williams, Technical Officer WHO Europe Office, Copenhagen, Denmark (remote-live)

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Course summary: The advent of processed and ultra-processed foods

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