## Simisola Bisiriyu



Simisola is a part-time student, a full-time Civil Servant and a freelance consultant. She started her academic career at Swansea University, graduating with a BSc in Medical Biochemistry. Her dissertation using Fourier Transform Infrared spectroscopy to identify biomarkers for diabetes and monitor progression, piqued her interest in exploring how data can be utilised to provide insights to drive innovation and add tangible business value to organisations. It was this curiosity that inspired her to enrol onto the MPH course to expand her knowledge of developing and improving evidence-based healthcare and developing predictive models. When not inside an office or classroom, she enjoys collaborating with researchers, students and professionals of various backgrounds to gain new knowledge and skills in Public Health. This has led her to undertake a research project looking at mental health and emotional wellbeing in African-descended UK communities and identified opportunities for improvement and change, as well as bridging the gap between Public Health and Faith communities. Simisola was awarded a King's experience award for this research. Additionally, she recently attended a summer school at Cadi Ayyad University in Marrakech to gain broader insight into quantitative methods and advanced analytical tools for modelling big data.

# Yanxiu Chen



Yanxiu Chen currently pursues the master of public health in King's College London. She got her bachelor degree in Beijing University of Chinese Medicine where she obtained not only wealth of general knowledge of traditional Chinese medicine, but also additional skills such as communication skill and cooperation skill by organizing several activities, as a vice president of the student union. She actively participated in the "Internet plus" competition and won good rankings. She was also a scholarship recipient twice. She is ambitious and passionate for global health and eager to apply skills and knowledge learned from King's to the real world.

### Marta Cucchi



Marta began her journey in Rome where she awarded her BSc Nursing in 2012. Interested in an international professional experience, she moved to England and obtained a role in her dreaming medical area: Paediatric Cardiac Surgery Intensive Care. Even though she was a young professional, she was interested in developing her clinical skills and knowledge further. In 2016 she obtained the Tropical Nursing Diploma at the LSHTM, she became Generic Instructor in Emergency Triage and Treatment (ETAT) at the RCPCH, she specialised in Children Intensive Care at King's College, and she is about to complete the MPH at King's College. She put in practice the knowledge acquired in the Paediatric Cardiac Intensive Care working in two of the worldwide leading hospitals: GOSH and The Harley Street Hospital. Her passion brought her even farther, becoming in 2016 an active worldwide volunteer teaching and supervising local staff in low income/war thorn countries about Paediatric Cardiac Surgery and Intensive Care. She joined international charities such as Chain of Hope, La Chaine de l'Éspoire and Syrian American Medical Society. With nine volunteering medical missions completed - and counting - over three continents (Africa, South America, South Asia), and her willingness to share her experiences and improve her performance, she also awarded the King's experience Award, King's Sanctuary Award and King's Leadership and Professional Skills Award while attending the MPH at King's College London.

It's in her best intention to continue this international journey, broaden her perspective and constantly update her learning, in order to support and improve knowledge, partnership and solidarity across the whole world.

# Reyhan Kalayci



Reyhan Kalayci is a paediatric nurse and political scientist. She has worked as a paediatric nurse in hospitals and community care in Berlin (Germany) and London (United Kingdom). In her occupation as a research assistant at the Freie University Berlin, she has focused on social and health policy in post-communist states. During this time, she has developed and conducted several seminars, for example *Social Policy in Post – Communist States in an International Context* or *Democratisation & Autocratisation*. Her interests in epidemiology and social science led her to pursue a master's degree in Public Health at King's College London. In particular, she is interested in global health politics and vaccine hesitancy.

## Nicoleta Louca



Nicoleta is undertaking a Master's in Public Health at King's College London. She graduated from Kingston University of London with a degree in Biomedical Sciences. The BSc in Biomedical Sciences has allowed her to develop a number of valuable skills. During her undergraduate studies she conducted a Systematic Review on 'Assessing whether BDNF levels are reduced in depressed patients and reversed with anti-depressant treatment'. She also designed a Poster Presentation on 'The Role of Angiogenesis in the progression of malignant cancer'. During her years in University, she has learnt to judge situations and explore her career options and in turn identified the desire of a career in Public Health. She was always passionate to learn more about human health and disease and curious to understand how health systems work globally. This Master has provided her with enormous knowledge and made her realise how important it is to have a positive impact on the well-being and health of individuals and make a difference in society. This Master enhanced her awareness of the broader determinants of health and the impact that social determinants of health can have on individuals' well being, such as the relationship between nutrition and obesity. She has worked in a hospital laboratory environment, as well as working in laboratories at University, and this has allowed her to learn to work as part of a team. These experiences have enhanced her abilities to listen and accept different ideas. In addition, she has volunteered in a hospital and an Elderly Care Home, where she actively engaged in helping nurses with patients of all ages. Working in these environments allowed her to understand how devastating an illness can be on an individual's life and their families. This has made her realise the importance of disease prevention and promotion of ill health. She has met people of different ages, young and old, forced with life difficulties beyond their control. These experiences have therefore affected her decision to dedicate herself to a career that would enable her to help others towards a better way of life.

# **Adam Shepherd**



Adam Shepherd recently completed his Public Health master degree at King's College London to build on his experiences of working in the healthcare sector. During his master degree he explored his interest in sexual health and the prevention of STIs both in the UK and abroad. Having worked for the NHS in a range of roles, Adam has grown to appreciate the multifariousness that comes with a career in healthcare. With a background in Biomedical Sciences he hopes to combine his interest in the natural and social sciences as he undertakes his medical training. In his spare time Adam enjoys long distance running and watching documentaries.

### Fernando Tirado



Fernando Tirado has been working in the pharmaceutical space for over two decades. He spent 5 years at Heel GmbH, where he was part of the health care team, focusing on pharma and natural remedies. While at Heel GmbH, Fernando became intensely aware of the imperative need to develop alternatives to traditional medications and was fascinated by the role alternative therapies can play in elderly population. In 1997, he co-founded Activia pharma S.L., a natural remedy company developing special treatments for aged skin, where he was then the CEO.

From 2004, Fernando worked as Community Pharmacist in Seville where he advised the community and local commissioning group on a wide range of issues, including nutrition, labelling, smoking cessation programmes, food safety, drug safety communication, direct-to-consumer aging testing, personalized medicine multimorbidity and polypharmacy, asthma self-management and continuity of care. He developed different dosing systems focussed on polymedication and elderly.

Fernando is extremely interested in the complex challenges healthcare systems face the innovative models to deliver primary care and how evidence-based medicine must be adapted to a patient centred model. Also, in Pharmacoepidemiology, its impact in Public Health and how this discipline can lead to a better balance between appropriate prescribing guidelines and long-term treatments. Fernando holds an BSc Pharmacy from the University of Seville as well as an MBA from IE and is finishing an MPH from King's College of London.

## **YIFEI WANG**



#### Education Background before Kings College London

Jilin University --- Major in Preventive Medicine (Medical Law)
September 2013- July 2018

#### Social Practice

Nanjing Disease Precaution and Control Institute of Shanghai Railway Bureau July 2017-August 2017

- Monitored the drinks, foods and tableware on the train and the stations, trains and flats from vectors including mice, cockroaches and bugs
- Offered services of Three Health, epidemic preventions and preventive physical examinations for railway staff, families and passengers
- Responsible for monitoring, assessment and control of occupational disease risks related to railway transportation

The Second Hospital of Jilin University Interned in Inpatient Department July 2016-September 2016

- On rounds after heads of various clinical departments and making analysis on medical records;
- Established admission notes and helping patients to handle the referral procedures

### **Honors and Awards**

 Academic awards: National award of Innovative and Entrepreneurship Training Project of College Students (2013)