



GILS LEARNING · CERTIFICATE COURSE 5 OF 7 · GILS-C05

Migration, Work and Health

Labour migration and health: migrant workers' rights, health risks and access to care, with a focus on Georgia and Georgians working abroad.

Status	In development — contributors wanted
Format	Self-paced online, on GMJ Academy (academy.gmj.ge)
Workload	About 20 hours (planned)
Languages	English and Georgian (planned)
Assessment	Knowledge check at start and end; module quizzes
Certificate	Certificate of Completion — GMJ Academy & GILS
Fee and start date	To be announced
Contact	info@accreditation.ge

Introduction to the course

Labour migration is a defining feature of Georgia's economy and society. This course examines migration through the lens of work and health: the data on Georgians abroad, the occupational and health risks migrant workers face, their rights under international frameworks, and the competencies needed to work with migrant communities.

Why this course

- United Nations estimates put the number of people born in Georgia and living abroad at roughly 670,000–860,000, and remittances reached USD 3.36 billion in 2024.
- Migrant workers face specific occupational and health risks and barriers to care in destination countries.
- Georgia is developing legal labour migration schemes, including seasonal work in Germany.

Who should attend

- Health and social workers
- NGO and community staff working with migrants
- Officials working on migration and employment
- Researchers and students

Learning outcomes

On completion, participants will be able to:

- Describe patterns of labour migration from and to Georgia
- Identify occupational and health risks for migrant workers
- Explain international frameworks on migrant workers' rights and health
- Apply refugee and migrant health competencies in practice

Planned modules

1. Labour migration: concepts and data
2. Georgia's migration and remittances
3. Health risks and access to care for migrant workers
4. International frameworks: ILO and WHO
5. Practice: competencies for working with migrants

Provisional outline, to be finalised with module authors and reviewers.

How you will learn

- A short knowledge check at the start and at the end of the course
- Self-guided modules with readings, short videos and quizzes
- Georgian case material drawn from sourced GILS analyses
- An end-of-course assessment leading to the certificate

Call for contributors

GILS and GMJ Academy invite experts to author or review modules. We are looking for: Migration and health specialists; practitioners working with migrant communities. Contributors are credited by name. Write to info@accreditation.ge with a short CV.

About the certificate

The Certificate of Completion is issued by GMJ Academy and the Georgian Institute of Labour Studies. It is not a state-recognised qualification and does not carry CPD credits unless such accreditation is obtained and announced on the course page.

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