

Careers in Public Health

Protecting the public's health by applying knowledge to issues ranging from emerging infectious diseases to promoting healthier lifestyles is the hallmark of public health practice. Today, there is a recognized demand for a highly trained public health workforce who can address these complex challenges.

The Master of Public Health program at the University of Louisville School of Public Health and Information Sciences meets this demand by preparing public health professionals in the use of leading-edge techniques to improve the public's health.

Careers may include:

Disease surveillance epidemiologist
Health policy analyst
Health program manager
Pollution control specialist
Program evaluation analyst
Environmental health scientist
Workplace health and safety specialist
Information systems manager
Community health educator
Preparedness coordinator
And many more...

We invite you to earn your MPH with us to create a healthier today and tomorrow.



For Additional Information

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Master of Public Health Program

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Shaping the Future of Health.*



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& INFORMATION SCIENCES



The MPH Program

The Master of Public Health (MPH) is the professional degree offered by the University of Louisville School of Public Health and Information Sciences (SPHIS). SPHIS is accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH).

Academic and applied research, along with community involvement, provides a foundation for practical solutions that address the full range of challenges in protecting the health of the public. With a MPH degree from SPHIS, you become a part of that foundation.

Program Highlights

- Nationally known faculty
- Leading-edge information technologies
- Evening classes for the working professional
- Challenging, real-world experiences
- Concentrations available in the five core areas of public health: biostatistics, environmental and occupational health, epidemiology, health behavior and health management
- A dynamic collaboration with the Louisville Metro Department of Public Health and Wellness provides first-hand opportunities to address public health challenges in a top-20 U.S. city



Attendees participate in a roundtable discussion on climate change.

What You'll Learn

Year 1 (22 credit hours)

The first year of the MPH program provides the academic and practical foundation for success as a public health professional and the opportunity to explore potential areas of specialization. Courses in the first year include:

- Issues in Public Health
- Introduction to Biostatistics
- Introduction to Public Health Informatics
- Introduction to Epidemiology
- Introduction to Environmental and Occupational Health
- Introduction to Health Behavior
- Introduction to Health Management
- Critical Thinking and Program Evaluation

Year 2 (25 credit hours)

In the second year of the program, students select a concentration in one of five core areas of public health and take advanced courses in this area.

Concentrations include: biostatistics, environmental and occupational health, epidemiology, health behavior and health management.

Students also have a six-hour field practicum experience, presenting the results of their community-based project in the course "Integrating Learning and Experience in Public Health."

Who Should Apply

Those seeking careers in public health come from varied backgrounds including, but not limited to: medicine, dentistry, nursing, the life sciences, the social sciences, business and law. In order to make the best decision for your educational and professional goals, please contact us to discuss your options. Full-time and part-time study is available.



A student gains real-world experience during her practicum.

Applicants must meet these criteria:

- A baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution or its equivalent;
- A recommended minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale;
- If applicable, the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) exam with a minimum score of 100 on the Internet-based test.

Admission Information

Application materials:

- Complete an application at sophas.org. SOPHAS is a centralized application service for schools of public health
- Three letters of recommendation, no more than one year old
- Official transcripts of all college work
- Resume or curriculum vitae
- A one-page personal statement that is a clear, substantive description of your goals in public health, noting any relevant professional or research experience
- Official score from any of the following standardized examinations: GRE, MCAT, DAT, GMAT or LSAT
- International students are required to have a foreign credential evaluation
- Additional application information available at louisville.edu/sphis