
Graduate Certificate in Public Health Training

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Introduction

The Graduate Certificate in Public Health Training is offered by the School of Public Health and Information Sciences. It requires completion of 12 hours of credit and all courses are offered only as distance education (asynchronous online courses).

The Certificate in Public Health Training provides individuals with skills required for a career in a public health setting. The curriculum integrates courses in the 4 core areas of public health with practical applications for public health practice and preparedness.

Competencies

The successful student is able to:

- Exhibit knowledge and skills identified in the CEPH foundational public health learning objectives and MPH foundational competencies. ([CEPH 2016 Accreditation Criteria](#) – see sections D1 and D2)

It is expected that prior to graduation, students in the program have demonstrated these competencies by completing the curriculum.

Admission

Applicants must have completed a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution with a minimum of 2.75 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

Application requirements are submitted to the Graduate School, Graduate Admissions and include:

- Formal application
- Curriculum vitae
- Application fee
- A minimum of two letters of recommendation related to the applicant's academic or professional history
- Official transcripts indicating conferral of a bachelor's degree

For specific information about the degree program or the application process, students should contact Dr. Brian Guinn, MPH Program Director, (phone: 502-852-0251; email: brian.guinn@louisville.edu), or Bryan Mathis, MPH Program Coordinator, (phone: 502-852-6263; email: bryan.mathis@louisville.edu). The application for graduate programs at UofL can be found at: <http://louisville.edu/graduate/futurestudents/apply-materials/application>

Application Deadline

Applications are accepted for the Fall and Spring semester. There are no Summer admissions. There is no formal deadline.

Curriculum

The typical progression through the Certificate curriculum is:

- Required Coursework (12 credit hours)

Coursework

12 credit hours of required coursework

<i>Course #</i>	<i>Course Title</i>	<i>Credit Hours</i>
PHST-500	Introduction to Biostatistics for Public Health (course offered in Fall semesters)	3
PHMS-501	Introduction to Public Health Practice and Administration (course offered in Fall semesters)	3
PHPB-501	Introduction to Public Health Behavior (course offered in Spring semesters)	3
PHEP-501	Introduction to Epidemiology (course offered in Spring semesters)	3
Total		12

If a student chooses to pursue the Master of Public Health (MPH) degree at any time after enrolling in or completing the Certificate program, then all coursework completed within the preceding three years with a grade of B or better may be applied towards the coursework for the MPH degree.

Accreditation

The School of Public Health and Information Sciences is accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH).

The University of Louisville is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC).

For more information, see the [School's accreditation webpage](http://louisville.edu/sphis/accreditation) (<http://louisville.edu/sphis/accreditation>).

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