MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN THE FIELD OF GLOBAL HEALTH POLICY

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Overview:
master of public health in the field of global health policy (GHP) addresses health challenges of interdependent nations, regions and sectors with multiple cultures, development, capacities and coexistent values. GHP is the area of public health concerned with decisions that translate evidence and political will into authoritative public agreement and intervention. GHP focuses on global and national health systems, including medical care and the public health services. GHP is concerned with the allocation of resources across countries and organizations, and on implementation of programs for solutions to achieve health goals. It considers institutions, authority, organizations, roles of people within such structures, and service arrangements within diverse national and local health systems.

Mission
The mission of the global health policy program is to prepare professionals to assist in public health decision making related to national, regional and worldwide interventions and institutions; to support policy analysis and utilize diverse analytic tools including epidemiology and international comparative policy methods paying particular attention to culture and equity.

These leaders integrate scientific knowledge and global evidence to advise decision making and action by diverse global health systems and other sectors and to provide insight on policies and processes that impact population health all with an emphasis on underserved populations and development.

Goals
The goals of the Global Health Policy Program are to prepare students to be policy analysts, designers and implementers who know how to:

- Assess the burden and determinants of health problems, their social distribution and inequities, and the interdependence of countries.
- Apply common economic, epidemiological, and comparative policy analysis methods and tools for evidence to assess burden of disease, determining efficacy and effectiveness of interventions for global infectious and chronic disease control.
- Use global evidence for local action using systematic reviews and local facts to drive well informed health policy decisions. Translate evidence to support program and health systems policy recommendations.
- Work with other disciplines and with sectors beyond health to develop innovative policy options.
- Develop strong cultural sensitivity and intercultural competency within diverse health and political systems
- Act in global health diplomacy in policy-shaping and negotiations to improve health while strengthening relations among nations.
- Assume leadership roles in the global health policy development process.
- Work with methodological rigor in international policy design, program priority setting and negotiation.
- Communicate the results of research to a culturally broad set of constituents.

Visit the program website (https://publichealth.gwu.edu/programs/global-health-policy-mph/) for additional program information.

REQUIREMENTS
The following requirements must be fulfilled: 45 credits, including 17 credits in core courses, 19 credits in program-specific courses, 7 credits in selective courses, and a 2-credit culminating experience.

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Program-specific courses

PUBH 6315 Introduction to Health Policy Analysis 2
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Graduation Requirements
1. Graduate credit requirement: 45 graduate credits.
2. Course requirements: Successful completion of core and program-specific courses.
3. Practicum Requirement: Students are required to fulfill all requirements of the Applied Practice Experience (Practicum) to receive credit for PUBH 6022.
4. Interprofessional Education Experience (IPE): Students are required to enroll and participate in an authorized IPE activity (PUBH 6023).
5. Minimum grade-point requirement: minimum 3.0 (B average) cumulative grade-point average.
6. Time limit requirement: The degree must be completed within five years.
7. Transfer credit policy: With approval, up to 12 graduate credits that have not been applied to any previous graduate degree may be transferred to the master of public health program. External credits must have been earned from an accredited institution in the last three years with a minimum grade of 3.0 (B) in each course. Students in SPH graduate certificate programs can transfer as many credits earned
toward the certificate to the MPH degree as meet MPH degree requirements, to a maximum of 18 credits.

8. Graduate certificate students wishing to transfer to a degree program may apply to do so after completion of three or more courses with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 via the online change of concentration petition (https://publichealth.gwu.edu/academics/forms/). A grade of B or above is required for a specific course to be eligible for transfer.

9. CITI Training requirement: All students are required to complete training regarding human subject protection regulation and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA).

10. Integrity Quiz and Plagiarism requirement: All students are required to review the George Washington University Code of Academic Integrity (https://studentconduct.gwu.edu/code-academic-integrity/) and take the SPH Academic Integrity Quiz at GWSPH Source (https://source.publichealth.gwu.edu/user/login?destination=node/193/), within their first semester of study.

11. Professional Enhancement requirement: Students must participate in eight hours of public health-related lectures, seminars, and symposia, related to their field of study.