DUAL MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING IN THE FIELD OF NURSING LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT AND MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH (MPH@GW)

George Washington University’s dual master of science in nursing (MSN) in the field of nursing leadership and the master of public health (MPH@GW) degree program offers a unique opportunity for nursing students who wish to supplement their education with a public health focus. The 60-credit dual program includes coursework from both nursing and public health degree requirements. The dual program provides nurses with the skills needed to develop health initiatives and improve wellness across populations. Such a program is essential to improving the social determinants of health for populations.

The MSN curriculum sharpens future nursing leaders’ skills to implement improvements in the healthcare system and healthcare policies. The MPH curriculum provides students with the skills needed for leadership in the design of community health programs in the United States and globally. Public health coursework in the MPH program ensures students can assess and apply public health analytic and diagnostic tools from the unique perspective of nurse leaders, allowing them to better identify factors that influence community health.

Students who complete all requirements for the MSN before completing those for the MPH may petition to receive the MSN degree first.

REQUIREMENTS

A total of 60 credits are required for the dual degree. The School of Nursing accepts up to 9 credits in MPH coursework toward MSN requirements and the Milken Institute School of Public Health accepts up to 18 credits in MSN coursework toward MPH requirements. All requirements for both programs must be fulfilled. The dual program normally is completed in two years (including summer sessions). Students who complete all requirements for the MSN degree in nursing leadership and management may petition to receive the MSN degree before completing MPH@GW degree requirements.

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NURS 6262 Leadership Coaching in Nursing
NURS 6264 Advancing Health Care Quality and Patient Safety
NURS 6274 Health Economics and Finance
NURS 8402 Knowledge Management in Nursing
PUBH 6002 Biostatistical Applications for Public Health
PUBH 6003 Principles and Practices of Epidemiology
PUBH 6007 Social and Behavioral Approaches to Public Health
PUBH 6009 Fundamentals of Public Health Program Evaluation
PUBH 6011 Environmental and Biological Foundations of Public Health
PUBH 6012 Fundamentals of Health Policy
PUBH 6021 Essentials of Public Health Practice and Leadership I
PUBH 6022 Essentials of Public Health Practice and Leadership II
PUBH 6023 Interprofessional Education Experience
PUBH 6052 Practical Data Management and Analysis for Public Health
PUBH 6060 MPH@GW Culminating Experience I
PUBH 6061 MPH@GW Culminating Experience II
PUBH 6442 Comparative Global Health Systems
PUBH 6500 Planning and Implementing Health Promotion Programs
PUBH 6503 Introduction to Public Health Communication and Marketing

Electives

4 credits in graduate-level PUBH, EXNS, or HSML courses.