In early 2015, the Department of Health Policy and the Department of Health Services Management and Leadership consolidated to create a larger, integrated department that is even better prepared to lead education, research, and practice efforts related to public health policy, health care policy, and health services management. This positive evolution creates new and dynamic synergies for faculty, staff, students, and alumni, and maximizes our education and research potential.

The mission of the Department of Health Policy and Management—a practice-oriented academic community in Washington, DC—is to improve health and health systems locally, nationally, and globally through: excellence in education; innovative scholarship; applied research that is translated into practice and policy; and the promotion of transformational leadership that advances health policy and health services management.

We are committed to:

• Preparing graduates to be innovative and effective leaders in public health and health policy, health services delivery, and health system transformation.
• Conducting rigorous multidisciplinary research that addresses significant health challenges, is objective, and is translated to inform and affect health policy, health care management, and public health practice.
• Being a trusted resource for shaping and advancing health policy and management practices because of our research integrity and rigor, the real-world leadership experiences of our faculty and staff, and our exceptional students.
• Leveraging our unique location in Washington, DC, which allows for strong collaborations with health policy and management leaders and practitioners.
• Improving the health and health care of under-served and vulnerable populations.
• Promoting and learning from the diversity among our faculty, staff, students, and alumni in terms of background, experience, and thought.

Visit the Department of Health Policy and Management website (https://publichealth.gwu.edu/departments/health-policy-and-management/) for additional information.

GRADUATE

Master’s programs

• Master of Health Administration (https://bulletin.gwu.edu/public-health/health-policy-management/mha/)
• Master of Health Administration (MHA@GW (https://bulletin.gwu.edu/public-health/health-policy-management/mha-online-executive-program/))
• Master of Public Health in the field of health policy (https://bulletin.gwu.edu/public-health/health-policy-management/mph/)

Specialist program

• Health Services Administration Specialist (https://bulletin.gwu.edu/public-health/health-policy-management/hsa-specialist/)

Doctoral program

• Doctor of Philosophy in the field of health policy (https://bulletin.gwu.edu/public-health/health-policy-management/phd/)

CERTIFICATES

Graduate certificate programs

• Health administration generalist (https://bulletin.gwu.edu/public-health/health-policy-management/health-administration-generalist-certificate/)
• Health policy (https://bulletin.gwu.edu/public-health/health-policy-management/health-policy-certificate/)

FACULTY

Faculty

University Professor: V.N. Gamble


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Teaching Instructors: M. Byrnes, P. MacTaggart, J.A. Volarich

Adjunct Professor: M. Lillie-Blanton

Special Service: S.E. Wilensky

COURSES

Explanation of Course Numbers

• Courses in the 1000s are primarily introductory undergraduate courses
• Those in the 2000s to 4000s are upper-level undergraduate courses that also may be taken for graduate credit with permission and additional work assigned
• Those in the 6000s and 8000s are for master’s, doctoral, and professional-level students
• The 6000s are open to advanced undergraduate students with approval of the instructor and the dean or advising office
• Health Services Management and Leadership (HSML) (https://bulletin.gwu.edu/courses/hsml/)
• Public Health (PUBH) (https://bulletin.gwu.edu/courses/pubh/)