

MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN THE FIELD OF HUMANITARIAN HEALTH

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The master of public health in humanitarian health program equips students with the necessary knowledge, attitudes, and self-efficacy/skill-sets to assess needs, design and implement programs, and contribute to better decision-making, performance efficiency, and sound policymaking within aid systems and in humanitarian settings.

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

ADMISSIONS

Visit the Milken Institute School of Public Health website (<https://publichealth.gwu.edu/>) for additional information about academic programs and information about GWSPH. Graduate admissions information, including application requirements and deadlines, can be found on the GWSPH Graduate Admissions website (<https://publichealth.gwu.edu/admissions/graduate-admissions/>).

REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be fulfilled: 45 credits, including 19 credits in core courses, 15 credits in program-specific courses, 6 credits in selective courses, and 5 credits in elective courses.

Code	Title	Credits
Required		
Core courses		
PUBH 6000	MPH Applied Practice Experience	
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 6418 Global Health Culminating Experience I

PUBH 6419 Global Health Culminating Experience II

Program-specific courses

PUBH 6400 Global Health Frameworks

PUBH 6480 Public Health in Humanitarian Settings

PUBH 6410 Global Health Study Design

PUBH 6412 Global Health Quantitative Research Methods

PUBH 6416 Ethical and Cultural Issues in Global Health Research and Programs

PUBH 6468 Preparation and Response to Epidemics, Pandemics, Mass Health Emergencies, and Disasters

PUBH 6467 Ethics and Accountability in Humanitarian Assistance

PUBH 6462 Nutrition and Food in Large Humanitarian Emergencies

Selectives

6 credits in courses selected from the list below.

Students may take all courses on this list. Credits received in excess of 6 count toward the elective requirement.

PUBH 6492 Global Health Programs and Approaches to the Control of Chronic Diseases

PUBH 6463 Communication Strategies and Planning in Humanitarian Settings

PUBH 6464 Mental Health in Humanitarian Settings

PUBH 6465 Reproductive Health and Gender-Based Violence in Humanitarian Settings

PUBH 6132 Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) in Low-Income Countries

Electives

5 credits in PUBH courses.

MPH 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 6000 MPH Applied Practice Experience.

4. Interprofessional Education Experience (IPE): Students are required to enroll and participate in an authorized IPE activity (PUBH 6023 Interprofessional Education Experience).
5. Minimum grade-point requirement: minimum 3.0 (B) 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 minimum grade of B 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.

COMBINED PROGRAM

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- Joint Master of Public Health or SPH graduate certificate and Juris Doctor or Master of Laws (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/public-health/jd-mph/>)