

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN THE FIELD OF BIostatISTICS

REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements must be fulfilled:

The general requirements stated under Columbian College of Arts and Sciences, Graduate Programs (<https://bulletin.gwu.edu/arts-sciences/#degreeregulationstext>).

33 credits, including 27 credits in required courses and 6 credits in elective courses, and successful completion of a master's comprehensive examination.

The following requirements must be fulfilled: 33 credits, including 18 credits in statistics courses, 7 credits in public health courses, 6 credits in elective courses, 2 credits in consulting, and successful completion of a master's comprehensive examination.

Code	Title	Credits
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Prerequisite courses

The courses listed below (or equivalents) are prerequisites for admission consideration and must appear on the student's transcript. Students may apply to the program only after they have fulfilled this requirement:

MATH 1231	Single-Variable Calculus I
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MATH 1232	Single-Variable Calculus II
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STAT 2118	Regression Analysis
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Applicants lacking the courses listed below (or equivalents) are considered for admission; however, if admitted, the student is required to complete these courses within two semesters of matriculation in the program. Credit earned in these courses does not count toward the 33 credits required for the degree and grades earned are not reflected in the overall grade-point average.

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MATH 2184	Linear Algebra I
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MATH 2233	Multivariable Calculus
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One of the following:

PUBH 6853	Use of Statistical Packages for Data Management and Data Analysis *
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STAT 2183	Intermediate Statistics Lab/Packages
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Required for the degree

Statistics courses

PUBH 6266	Biostatistical Methods
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or PUBH 8877	Generalized Linear Models in Biostatistics
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STAT 6201	Mathematical Statistics I
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STAT 6202	Mathematical Statistics II
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STAT 6210	Data Analysis
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STAT 6227	Survival Analysis
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STAT 6255	Clinical Trials
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or PUBH 6866	Principles of Clinical Trials
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Public health courses

PUBH 6003	Principles and Practices of Epidemiology
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And two courses (2 credits) selected from the following:

PUBH 6262	Introduction to Geographic Information Systems
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PUBH 6263	Advanced GIS
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PUBH 6850	Introduction to SAS for Public Health Research
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PUBH 6851	Introduction to R for Public Health Research
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PUBH 6852	Introduction to Python for Public Health Research
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PUBH 6856	Advanced SAS for Public Health Research
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And 2 credits in any PUBH course(s) in the 6800 range.

Electives

6 credits in elective courses selected from the following:

PUBH 6854	Applied Computing in Health Data Science
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PUBH 6859	High Performance and Cloud Computing
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PUBH 6860	Principles of Bioinformatics
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PUBH 6861	Public Health Genomics
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PUBH 6862	Applied Linear Regression Analysis for Public Health Research
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PUBH 6863	Applied Meta-Analysis
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PUBH 6865	Applied Categorical Data Analysis for Public Health Research
PUBH 6879	Propensity Score Methods for Causal Inference in Observational Studies
PUBH 6884	Bioinformatics Algorithms and Data Structures
PUBH 6886	Statistical and Machine Learning for Public Health Research
PUBH 6887	Applied Longitudinal Data Analysis for Public Health Research
STAT 3187	Introduction to Sampling
STAT 4181	Applied Time Series Analysis
STAT 4188	Nonparametric Statistics Inference
STAT 6197	Fundamentals of SAS Programming for Data Management
STAT 6214	Applied Linear Models
STAT 6215	Applied Multivariate Analysis I
STAT 6216	Applied Multivariate Analysis II
STAT 6217	Design of Experiments
STAT 6223	Bayesian Statistics: Theory and Applications
STAT 6225	Longitudinal Data Analysis
STAT 6231	Categorical Data Analysis
STAT 6240	Statistical Data Mining
STAT 6242	Modern Regression Analysis
STAT 6252	Statistical Methods in Bioinformatics and Computational Biology
STAT 6254	Statistical Genetics
STAT 6287	Sample Surveys
STAT 6289	Topics in Statistics
STAT 8226	Advanced Biostatistical Methods
STAT 8265	Multivariate Analysis
STAT 8273	Stochastic Processes I
STAT 8281	Advanced Time Series Analysis
STAT 8288	Topics in Sample Surveys
Consulting	

PUBH 6883 Biostatistics Consulting Practicum

PUBH 6869 Principles of Biostatistical Consulting

Master's comprehensive examination

Students must successfully complete a master's comprehensive examination, a written examination in the field of biostatistics based on the material covered in PUBH 6266 or PUBH 8877. The examination is administered by the faculty of the Department of Biostatistics and Bioinformatics in the Milken Institute School of Public Health.

Visit the program website (<https://statistics.columbian.gwu.edu/ms-biostatistics/>) for additional information.

ADMISSIONS

Admission to this program is not being offered at this time. Related programs in the field are offered by the Milken Institute School of Public Health (<http://bulletin.gwu.edu/public-health/biostatistics-bioinformatics/mph-biostatistics/>).