

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 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.

Code	Title	Credits
Required		
NURS 6203	Nursing Leadership	
NURS 6207	Evidence-Based Practice for Health Care Researchers	
NURS 6241	The Health Care Enterprise	
NURS 6258	Leadership Capstone Practicum I	
NURS 6259	Leadership Capstone Practicum II	

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.