

# Master of Public Health

The online Master of Public Health (MPH) degree is designed to prepare professionals to resolve complex health issues and enhance the wellbeing of communities in the U.S. and around the world. Through excellence in teaching, research, and service, this respected online program seeks to educate and develop capable leaders in the public health workforce by closely aligning with academic community partners and by empowering students to address relevant public health problems today. This interdisciplinary degree challenges you to proactively seek implementable solutions and to develop preventative measures by understanding the scientific, psychological, and sociological competencies that significantly impact public health policy and practices today.

Our Master's in Public Health is accredited by Council on Education for Public Health (<http://ceph.org>) (CEPH) for a five-year term, extending to July 1, 2022. View our accreditation page (<http://www.apus.edu/about/accreditation>) for more details, or to request a copy of the self-study and the final CEPH report.

This program has specific admission requirements.

## Degree Program Objectives

In addition to the institutional and degree level learning objectives, graduates of this program are expected to achieve these learning outcomes:

- Assimilate knowledge and practice of community-based learning, research, and service into their professions.
- Comprehend the interaction of behavioral, social and physical environments on public health outcomes.
- Apply evidence-based principles and a scientific knowledge base to critical evaluation and decision making in public health.
- Synthesize concepts associated with power, politics, and organizational performance in healthcare settings.
- Summarize issues and concepts related to the impact of environmental health on our global society.
- Explain how selected and widely employed social and behavioral science theories, models, constructs, and principles can be used to develop or improve programs to address major public health issues.
- Critically review and apply evidence-based evaluation of published medical and public health literature.
- Develop a framework, based on a mission, goals, and objectives and/or competencies, to evaluate public health programs for their effectiveness and quality.

- Synthesize concepts associated with specific research tasks: hypothesis construction, conceptualizing terms, literature review, data collection, critical analysis, and communicate findings.
- Examine the application of epidemiology to screening, infectious disease prevention, and policy.
- Assess the moral and ethical precepts that underlie the goals of the public health profession.
- Generate, analyze, apply, and interpret statistical data as related to public health problems and to further biomedical research.

## Degree at a Glance

Code	Title	Semester Hours
	Core Requirements	44
	Elective Requirements	0
	Final Program Requirements	3
	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>47</b>

## Degree Program Requirements

### Core Requirements (44 semester hours)

Code	Title	Semester Hours
PBHE501	Public Health in America <sup>1</sup>	3
PBHE502	Health Policy	3
PBHE520	Biostatistics with Lab	4
PBHE526	Public Health and Environment	3
PBHE527	Social and Behavioral Aspects of Health	3
PBHE531	Public Health Program Planning and Evaluation	3
PBHE532	Ethical Issues in Public Health	3
PBHE540	Emergency Management Health and Medical Issues	3
PBHE550	Research Methods in Public Health	3
PBHE601	Health Care Administration	3
PBHE605	Quarantine	3
PBHE606	Disaster Health Management	3
PBHE607	Epidemiology	3
PBHE697	Public Health Practicum	4
	<b>Total Semester Hours</b>	<b>44</b>

<sup>1</sup> Required as the first course in this program.

## Elective Requirements (0 semester hours)

There are no electives for this program.

## Final Program Requirements (3 semester hours)

Code	Title	Semester Hours
PBHE699	Public Health Capstone <sup>1</sup>	3
Total Semester Hours		3

<sup>1</sup> Taken once all other degree requirements have been met.