



2015-2016 Curriculum Guide for Master of Public Health degree program PROGRAM FOR EXPERIENCED PROFESSIONALS

The Master of Public Health (MPH) degree program is designed to provide students with the knowledge and skills for general and specialized applied public health practice, both in the public sector and in private sector careers related to population health. It includes courses within public health's core disciplines of biostatistics, environmental health science, epidemiology, health behavior & health promotion, and health services management and policy. This broad training is complemented by the more in-depth course work within the specialization including a practicum and culminating experience.

Students admitted to the Master of Public Health Program for Experienced Professionals (PEP) degree program are assigned a faculty advisor who will provide guidance throughout the program. This document serves as a resource to be used by the student and the advisor in planning, but is not inclusive of all important degree, college, and university requirements. All students are expected to be familiar with the College of Public Health (CPH) *Graduate Student Handbook* (available at <http://cph.osu.edu/students/graduate/handbooks> and with the *Graduate School Handbook* (available at <http://www.gradsch.ohio-state.edu/>).

PROGRAM OF STUDY

The curriculum is similar to that for the full-time Master of Public Health degree. 45 credit hours are required. However, PEP students do not specialize, other than through their use of electives and their choices for the practicum and culminating experience.

The specific course requirements recognize the needs and interests of more experienced students, with emphasis on general preparation for positions of leadership in public health. The overall distribution of course work is as follows:

1. Required courses (27 credits)
2. Elective courses (13 credits)
3. Practicum (2 credits)
4. Culminating project (3 credits)

Required Courses (27 credits)

PUBHLTH 7040	Public Health Organization	3 credits
PUBHBIO 6210	Design & Analysis of Studies in the Health Sciences	3 credits
PUBHEHS 6305	Principles of Environmental Health Sciences for Professionals	3 credits
PUBHEPI 6410	Principles of Epidemiology	3 credits
PUBHHBP 6510	Preventing Disease and Promoting Health through Behavioral Science	3 credits
PUBHHBP 7532	Program Evaluation in Public Health	3 credits
PUBHHMP 6609	Health Care Organizations for Experienced Professionals	3 credits
PUBHHMP 7606	Applied Health Policy	3 credits
PUBHHMP 7624	Economic Evaluation of Health Care Programs and Services	3 credits

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Electives (13 credits)

Any course offered by the College of Public Health is an approved elective for the PEP program. Other courses may be approved with permission of the faculty advisor. Students should refer to the CPH Graduate Student Handbook for further details about the elective approval process.

Practicum

PUBHLTH 7189 Practicum in Public Health 2 credits

Culminating Project

PUBHLTH 7998 Culminating Project in Public Health 3 credits

Sample Curriculum Plan for the MPH Program for Experienced Professionals

(THIS IS ONE OPTION, STUDENTS ARE ADVISED TO CONSULT WITH THEIR ADVISOR FOR OTHER OPTIONS)

Year 1 Summer	PUBHLTH 7040	Public Health Organization	3 credits	3 Fridays 1:00pm-6:00pm	SU
Year 1 Autumn	PUBHHBP 6510	Preventing Disease & Promoting Health through Behavioral Science	3 credits	in person Fridays 1-6:30pm 8/28, 9/25, 10/23, and 12/4	AU
	PUBHBIO 6210	Design and Analysis of Studies in the Health Sciences I	3 credits	online	AU
Year 1 Spring	PUBHHMP 6609	Health Care Organizations for Experienced Professionals	3 credits	in person Saturdays 10-6 1/23, 2/20, 3/26, 4/23	SP
	PUBHEPI 6410	Principles of Epidemiology	3 credits	DISTANCE with 1 synchronous session per week	SP
	ELECTIVE*		3 credits		ANY
Year 2 Summer	PUBHLTH 7189	Practicum in Public Health	2 credits		ANY
	ELECTIVE*		4 credits		ANY
Year 2 Autumn	PUBHHBP 7532	Program Evaluation in Public Health	3 credits	online	AU
	PUBHHMP 7606	Applied Health Policy	3 credits	in person	AU
	ELECTIVE*		3 credits		ANY
Year 2 Spring	PUBHHMP 7624	Economic Evaluation of Health Care Programs & Services	3 credits	in person	SP
	PUBHEHS 6305	Principles of Environmental Health Sciences for Professionals	3 credits	online	SP
	ELECTIVE *		3 credits		ANY
Year 3 Summer	PUBHLTH 7998	Culminating Project in Public Health	3 credits		ANY

*Electives can be taken at any time during the program

Grade Policy:

In addition to the general Graduate School requirements of a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher, students must meet specific college policies regarding grades in Core and specialization courses. Students should familiarize themselves with Section 11 of the College of Public Health Graduate Student Handbook.

Office of Academic Programs and Student Services (OAPSS)

OAPSS staff are available to provide assistance with College, Graduate School and University policies and procedures. Students can make an appointment with a staff member in OAPSS by calling (614) 292-8350.

OAPSS address: 100 Cunz Hall/1841 Neil Ave/Columbus, Ohio/ 43210/cph.osu.edu

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