**PUBLIC HEALTH GRADUATE MAJOR (MPH, PhD)**

This major offers the following option(s):


### Graduate Areas of Concentration

**Biostatistics (MPH only):** environmental and occupational health (MPH, PhD); epidemiology (MPH, PhD); health systems and policy (MPH only); health policy (PhD only); health promotion and health behavior (MPH, PhD); global health (MPH, PhD); physical activity (MPH only); public health practice (MPH only)

**Also available via Ecampus.**

The public health graduate degree programs include the Master of Public Health (MPH) and the PhD in Public Health. The MPH degree includes several transcript-visible options. The PhD in Public Health is a research-oriented degree requiring in-depth study in a specialty area within the field of public health.

For further information about graduate programs in public health, visit the website ([http://health.oregonstate.edu/degrees/graduate/public-health/](http://health.oregonstate.edu/degrees/graduate/public-health/)).


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**Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Public Health**

The PhD in Public Health is for individuals who wish to prepare themselves for careers in university teaching, research, consulting, policy development, or other high-level public health positions. There are currently five areas of concentration offered for the PhD degree:

1. Environmental and occupational health
2. Epidemiology
3. Global health
4. Health policy
5. Health promotion and health behavior

A master’s degree in a relevant field is required before admission into the PhD program.

The PhD program consists of a minimum of 109 credits, including at least 36 graduate credits devoted to preparation of the thesis. Doctoral students take courses in public health knowledge, research methods and statistics, their concentration area, and other relevant areas. Each student and their doctoral committee jointly determine the student’s specific program of doctoral study. This process allows students to design a course of study uniquely suited to their particular needs and career goals. Further information about these requirements is available on the PhD in Public Health website ([http://health.oregonstate.edu/degrees/graduate/public-health/phd-program/](http://health.oregonstate.edu/degrees/graduate/public-health/phd-program/)).

**Master of Public Health (MPH)**

The College of Public Health and Human Sciences offers the following options within the MPH degree:

1. Biostatistics
2. Environmental and Occupational Health
3. Epidemiology
4. Global Health
5. Health Management and Policy
6. Health Promotion and Health Behavior
7. Physical Activity
8. Public Health Practice

All MPH students take the integrated core course, H 513 (12 credits) or the combination of HHS 513 (6 credits) and HHS 514 (6 credits). These courses introduce students to the core knowledge and methods used in public health, including evidence-based approaches to public health, public health and health care systems, planning and management to promote health, and policy in public health.

All MPH students must complete a 6-credit internship through enrollment in H 510.

MPH students must complete final assessments or oral examinations based upon the academic option in which they are enrolled.

See handbooks ([http://health.oregonstate.edu/degrees/graduate/public-health/graduate-handbooks/](http://health.oregonstate.edu/degrees/graduate/public-health/graduate-handbooks/)) for other degree requirements.

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