



MPH-Health Policy

The health policy concentration is designed to prepare students with competencies needed for careers in health policy analysis and policy development. The curriculum addresses health systems, quantitative methods, health economics and finance, managed care, state and national policy, and health law. The concentration provides instruction in professional competencies commonly found in schools of public administration and public policy.

Curriculum

Core Curriculum Requirements: 15 SCH

BIOS	5210	Biostatistics for Public Health I	3 SCH
ENVR	5300	Environmental Health	3 SCH
EPID	5100	Principles of Epidemiology	3 SCH
HMAP	5210	Introduction to Health Management and Policy	3 SCH
SCBS	5110	Behavioral and Social Aspects of Public Health	3 SCH

Culminating Experience: 6 SCH

HMAP or SCBS	5800	Capstone	3 SCH
SPH	5900	Professional Report	3 SCH
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SPH	5950	Thesis	6 SCH

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Practicum Requirement: 3 SCH

SPH	5855	Public Health Practice Experience	3 SCH
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Required Courses: 18 SCH

HMAP	5240	Health Politics and Policy	3 SCH
HMAP	5241	Applied Policy Development	3 SCH
HMAP	5242	Decision Analysis	3 SCH
HMAP	5245	Health Economics	3 SCH
HMAP	5450	Public Health Program Planning and Evaluation	3 SCH
HMAP	5430	Public Health Law	3 SCH

Elective Courses: 3 SCH

All students will consult with their advisor and select three semester credit hours of coursework from the public health curriculum.

Health Policy Concentration Learning Objectives

By the conclusion of the M.P.H. program, a student in the health policy concentration will be able to:

1. Understand the ethical framework suitable for the health policy arena.
2. Acquire concepts to enable participation in the health care system.
3. Develop knowledge regarding mechanisms to monitor and evaluate programs for their effectiveness and quality.
4. Understand the legal and political system and how to affect change within it.
5. Apply policy analysis skills that are enduring and transferable over the course of the student's career.
6. Collect, summarize and interpret policy-making structures and information relevant to a health issue.
7. Articulate the health, fiscal, administrative, legal, social and political implications of policy options.
8. Develop plans to implement and evaluate policies, including goals, outcomes, process objectives and implementation steps.
9. Apply quantitative and technological skills appropriate to health policy.