Behavioral and Community Health is a diverse and dynamic field of public health. Community Health professionals develop and evaluate programs to promote health and well-being and prevent disease, illness and injury.

Our Bachelor of Science in Community Health degree program will prepare you to understand and address the complex individual, community and societal factors influencing health. Graduates of our program use both scientific principles and applied knowledge to work as researchers, administrators, community advocates, educators, social workers and laboratory scientists to protect public health. Others continue their education in health-related graduate programs. In this guide, you will find information on the following:

TOPICS/QUICK LINKS:

- Job titles of recent Community Health undergraduates
- Employers of Community Health undergraduates
- Ways Community Health majors gain experience
- Skills developed throughout the Community Health curriculum
- Career paths
- Careers & graduate school
- Advanced degrees Community Health graduates are pursuing

Created by the University Career Center @ SPH.
Data was collected from the UMD Graduation Survey (January 2018)

For the online version with clickable links, visit: go.umd.edu/explorecareerssph
WELLNESS/FITNESS
Health & Wellness Coordinator
Health Coach
Training Director
Health & Wellness Specialist

EDUCATION
Health Educator
Science Teacher
Assistant Teacher
Education Coordinator

RESEARCH & POLICY
Research Assistant
Healthcare Analyst
Research Program Coordinator
Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) Fellow
Research and Evaluation Specialist
Program Analyst
Data Collector
Intramural Research Training Award Fellow
Legislative Aide

HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
Program Specialist
Health Promoter and Assistant
HealthNET Program Assistant
Diabetes Prevention Program Assistant
Member Services Representative
Prevention Programs Associate
Tobacco Cessation Coordinator
Health Communications Associate
Community Relations Representative
Public Health Advisor
Program Coordinator, Health Strategies
Health Initiatives Assistant

HEALTH CARE
Clinical Assistant
Medical Scribe
Laboratory Processing Representative
Pharmacy Technician
Medical Assistant
Administrative Assistant
Community Health Worker
Medical Receptionist
Surgical Neurophysiologist
Accessions Technician
Data Management Coordinator
Clinical Information Specialist

HUMAN SERVICES
Child Psychiatry Specialist
Community Health Advocate
Family Support Worker
Community Outreach Specialist
Child and Youth Program Assistant
Public Benefits & Insurance Navigator
Youth Program Coordinator
Lethality Assessment Program Specialist

BUSINESS
Sales and Marketing Associate
Benefit Analyst
Junior Account Manager
Account Administrator
Business Analyst
Donations Manager
Technical Recruiter
Executive Assistant
Operations Coordinator

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Science Writer/Editor
GIS Specialist
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WAYS BCH MAJORS GAIN EXPERIENCE

INTERNSHIPS & JOBS

• **HLTH491: Community Health Internship**: During the final semester of the Community Health major students are required to complete a 12 credit, full-time (36 hours per week) internship. The Department of Behavioral and Community Health maintains a large database of internship host sites made available to students the semester prior to enrolling in HLTH491.

• **UMD Careers4Terps**: UMD’s job and internship database for on and off-campus positions for students

• **Indeed**: Lists jobs nationwide (tip: think carefully about what keywords you search)

• **Idealist**: Lists jobs, internships, and volunteer opportunities nationwide in the non-profit sector

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

• **Services 24/7**: A virtual resource center that connects you to local nonprofit organizations

• **Student Organizations**

STUDY ABROAD

• **Global Engagement**: Study abroad opportunities in India and Germany through BCH department

RESEARCH

• **SPH-affiliated research opportunities**: check out SPH's Centers and “find an expert” studying something that interests you

• **Maryland Center for Undergraduate Research**: Promotes and facilitates on- and off-campus research experiences for undergraduates; provides mentoring.

• **Department of Behavioral & Community Health Research**

CONNECT WITH ALUMNI

• **Linkedin**: visit the UMD page and click “See Alumni” to have access to 250,000+ alumni professionals. Also join the **SPH LinkedIn group**

• **Terrapins Connect**: A platform that allows you virtual access to UMD alumni who have volunteered to conduct industry specific resume reviews, mock interviews, and to share how they broke into their field
SKILLS DEVELOPED THROUGHOUT THE BCH CURRICULUM

Community Health majors gain foundational knowledge that prepares them to take the Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) exam.

Your major prepares you with the following concrete skills to bring to the workforce:

1. How to apply epidemiological concepts
2. How to conduct community needs assessments
3. How to develop and deliver health education curricula
4. How to write grant proposals and implement community interventions
5. How to communicate and interact with diverse populations
6. How to work effectively as a team

EXPLORE CAREER TITLES

- Occupational Outlook Handbook
- O*NET Online
- Candid Career: Informational career videos
- https://explorehealthcareers.org/
- http://www.publichealth.org/careers/
- Vault Guides: Get company rankings and reviews, find jobs, school rankings and reviews, internship rankings and reviews, salary data, and more.
  - Healthcare Management
  - Healthcare Provider
  - Non-Profits
The following career paths require an advanced degree. Start researching your desired career path to determine eligibility requirements.

- Epidemiologist
- Biostatistican
- Professor
- Clinical or counseling psychologist
- Clinical health professions (medical doctor, physician assistant, nurse, nurse practitioner, physical therapist, occupational therapist, speech therapist, dentist, pharmacists)
- Social worker
- Research scientist
- Health policy analyst
- Health data analyst

**GRADUATE SCHOOL INFORMATION**

Things to consider about graduate school

Grad School Rankings: US News & World Report
Researching programs: Peterson's
Accredited Public Health Degrees (MPH): SOPHAS
Association of American Medical Colleges
UMD Reed-Yorke Health Professions Advising
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