BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

PUBLIC HEALTH SCIENCE
Building a science foundation for public health

The Public Health Science degree provides students interested in careers in health professions with interdisciplinary training that is essential to recognizing and addressing public health issues at the state, national and global levels.

The Public Health Science program includes a strong curriculum in science and public health courses, such as biostatistics, epidemiology, environmental health, and global health. Students will have the opportunity for individual exploration in public health through electives, laboratory experiences, optional internships, and a culminating interdisciplinary capstone course. This degree will enable students entering allied health professions, as well as medicine, dentistry, nursing, and pharmacy to address the growing health challenges facing global communities today.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM
Students enrolled in the Public Health Science program are instructed by faculty representing all of the departments in the School of Public Health. The faculty lecture in their given areas of expertise, including the behavioral sciences, biostatistics, epidemiology, environmental health, health services administration and kinesiology.
WHAT OUR GRADUATES DO
Graduates with a Bachelor of Science in Public Health Science can:
• Pursue degrees in medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, nursing, and allied health professions, such as occupational and physical therapy
• Continue with graduate work to earn Masters, PhD, or MPH degrees in such disciplines as biostatistics and epidemiology, environmental health, health services and policy, as well as behavioral sciences.
• Work in interdisciplinary teams, both governmental and nongovernmental, at the local, state, national, and international levels in disease prevention, environmental protection, and health promotion.

ABOUT THE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH
The University of Maryland School of Public Health is a dynamic and growing school located at one of the nation's top-ranked public research universities. While many schools of public health in the country are limited to graduate education, we offer a large undergraduate program serving a highly diverse student body. Both graduate and undergraduate programs contribute to our School initiatives and commitment to advancing a better state of health in Maryland and beyond.

With over 2,000 students in more than 25 different degree and academic programs, our School of Public Health prepares students to tackle complex and emerging public health issues using the tools of traditional public health disciplines, along with our unique expertise in the role physical activity and families play in personal and population health.

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY
A global leader in research, entrepreneurship and innovation, the University of Maryland is ranked No. 21 among public universities by US News & World Report and No. 14 among public universities by Forbes. The Institute of Higher Education, which ranks the world’s top universities based on research, puts Maryland at No. 38 in the world, No. 29 nationally and No. 13 among US public research institutions. The University of Maryland’s close proximity to our nation’s capital provides students with unparalleled opportunities for experiences with federal and state government agencies, think tanks, corporate offices, military services, and leading national public health organizations. The College Park campus is located only nine miles from the heart of Washington, DC, and a short drive to Baltimore and the state’s capital in Annapolis. In addition to being a vibrant hub of research and policy, the DC area’s rich and diverse culture make it an especially lively, friendly, accessible community for students to thrive professionally and personally.