Public health strives to protect and promote the health of individuals, families, communities and populations, locally and globally. Public health professionals work collaboratively with communities where they live, learn, work, play and pray through innovation, investigation, education and service. People who work in the fields of public health are helping to solve the world’s most pressing health problems and saving lives everyday. The University of Maryland School of Public Health approaches complex and emerging public health issues through an interdisciplinary lens to reduce risk of death and disease and promote health equity. Our Master of Public Health programs provide unmatched opportunities to work across disciplines and will prepare you for the specific career you seek in public health.

DIVERSE EXPERTISE

Our school brings together the strengths of all the traditional public health disciplines, and benefits from collaborations with leaders in fields as varied as engineering, arts and humanities, business and public policy.

In addition to the traditional disciplines of public health, our school is also home to a Department of Kinesiology and a Department of Family Science, which bring unique strengths through examining the roles that physical activity and families play in personal and population health. Our graduates use this broad public health lens to navigate the intersections of research, practice, planning, evaluation, administration and policy development in commitment to advancing a better state of health.
THE MPH CURRICULUM

Launching in the Fall 2018 semester, all MPH students will complete an integrated set of core courses of 14 credits over three semesters. These courses will provide innovative instruction in a number of areas of public health, including data collection and analysis, policy, health care systems, communication, ethics, and leadership. Students will also complete internships unique to the Maryland/DC region and capstone projects within their chosen concentration area. The 45-credit program can be completed within 2 years for full-time students.

PRACTICUM

MPH students participate in internships or practice experiences that are relevant to their area of specialization. These opportunities take place in a variety of agencies and organizations and have included:

- National Institutes of Health
- American Kidney Foundation
- Kaiser Permanente
- USAID Office of Foreign Disaster Relief
- National Center for Health Statistics
- HRSA Maternal and Child Health Bureau

CAREER PROSPECTS

Graduates from our MPH programs go on to excel in various public health practice and research initiatives in academia, governmental agencies, community-based organizations and the private industry. Alumni hold the following job titles, among others:

- Health Educator
- Community Planner
- Policy Analyst
- Program Manager
- Research Associate
- Epidemiologist
- Emergency Responder

TO APPLY

Application to the University of Maryland School of Public Health is a two-step process. You will begin your application with SOPHAS (www.sophas.org) and complete a supplemental application for the University of Maryland, College Park.

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