Online MPH in Health Policy and Management

Kent State University’s online Master of Public Health in Health Policy and Management program provides key professional knowledge and leadership skills essential to effective management in the field of public health. Become an expert at identifying service gaps, improving models for service financing and applying evidence-based practices to the logistical challenges that face healthcare organizations every day, and work toward more efficient healthcare delivery and improved population health.

PROGRAM BENEFITS

- 100% online program designed for full-time working professionals
- The only fully online MPH program in Ohio accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH)
- Learn from an expert faculty renowned for their cutting-edge public health research
- Engage with a robust curriculum featuring award-winning courses

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

- 46 credits total
- 14 courses
- 7 core courses, 5 discipline-specific courses and 2 electives
- 3 credits per course
- Courses last 7 weeks each
- Graduate in as few as 27 months (or 24 months if you take two courses concurrently in your last two terms)
- 3 annual start dates: January, May, August

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor’s degree from an accredited university with a GPA of 3.0 or higher (on a 4.0 scale)
- GRE scores: Due to COVID-19 concerns, the GRE requirement has been temporarily suspended for applicants
- Completed online application form
- Goal statement
- Three letters of recommendation from professors or employers
- Official transcripts from all prior institutions attended
- Resume/CV
THE CURRICULUM

Core Courses (25 Credits):
- BST 52019 Biostatistics in Public Health
- EHS 52018 Environmental Health Concepts in Public Health
- EPI 52017 Fundamentals of Public Health Epidemiology
- HPM 52016 Public Health Administration
- HPM 60192 Applied Practice Experience
- HPM 53010 Community Health Needs Assessment
- SBS 54634 Social Determinants of Health Behaviors

Discipline-Specific Courses (15 Credits):
- HPM 53003 Health Care Systems
- HPM 53004 Public Health Policy, Law and Ethics
- HPM 53005 Financial Management for Public Health Organizations
- HPM 53006 Cost-Benefit Analysis of Public Health Programs
- HPM 53007 Public Health Programs: Planning, Implementing, and Evaluation

Electives (6 Credits):
- Biostatistics Courses (BST 50000 or 60000 level)
- Environmental Health Sciences Courses (EHS 50000 or 60000 level)
- Epidemiology Courses (EPI 50000 or 60000 level)
- Health Policy and Management Courses (HPM 50000 or 60000 level)
- Social and Behavioral Sciences Courses (SBS 50000 or 60000 level)

WHAT YOU’LL LEARN
The online MPH in Health Policy and Management is designed for public health professionals who wish to move into management or leadership roles. It is designed to build your planning, logistics and financial management skills in order to prepare you to face challenges characteristic of the complex healthcare field, and it emphasizes systems thinking as a key tactic for resolving organizational problems.

Graduates of the online MPH in Health Policy and Management may go on to pursue roles as financial analysts, healthcare administrators, development officers or other specialized leadership positions across the healthcare continuum.