An Award Winning Curriculum
Tailored to Your Needs
With greater flexibility and the same level of rigor as our on-ground program, the online Master of Public Health (MPH) at Kent State University features an award-winning curriculum delivered by professors who are specialists in their fields.1

Choose from three areas of focus, Health Policy and Management, Social and Behavioral Sciences, or Epidemiology, and hone in on the content and career path that best suits you.

This is Where Change Begins
Our online MPH in Health Policy and Management (HPM) program provides essential skills and advanced expertise to help you make a difference in your community. Faculty who teach in the HPM specialization actively research pinpointing service gaps, building evidence-based practices and implementing solid public health policies. Students graduate skilled at health services planning and management, health policy analysis, and providing strategic models for service financing and improving population health.

See the Bigger Picture
The online MPH in Social and Behavioral Sciences (SBS) program gives students a broader view of health, helping them to understand the person, the behavior and the environment, and teaching them how these aspects converge in public health. SBS faculty strive to prepare students to establish programs that prevent disease, promote health and health equity, and manage chronic illnesses. This specialization is designed to teach students how to assess and intervene in myriad health issues, both domestic and international, while incorporating social factors that enhance the quality of life for those in all communities.

Prove Yourself With a Practicum
Prepare for the next chapter in your career with a practicum course that can be tailored to your professional aspirations. This 300-hour field-based experience lets you apply knowledge and skills gained throughout the program, resulting in a professional portfolio exemplifying your new expertise at managing public health programs and organizational elements. Make the most of your practicum:
- Allot the required 300 hours as your schedule allows—most students disperse this across nine to 12 months
- Contribute to an industry-relevant portfolio with reflections and work products developed throughout the practicum experience
- Select a practicum site that suits your location and career goals

Seize the Kent State Advantage
Study in the only online Master of Public Health (MPH) program in Ohio accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH). With affordable tuition and a customizable career-centered practicum, our online MPH makes earning a highly respected degree more convenient than ever.

Graduates of our HPM specialization are prepared for careers in:
- Health maintenance organizations
- Emergency management
- Health insurance companies
- Health education
- Healthcare
- Administrative and management positions in healthcare facilities

Graduates of our SBS specialization are prepared for careers in:
- Health education and promotion programs
- Clinical and nonprofit settings
- Public or government agencies
- Occupational health and safety services
- Individual health coaching, potentially even owning their own business
- Curriculum development for state and local health departments, as well as other health-related institutions and organizations

Graduates of our Epidemiology specialization are prepared for careers as:
- Researchers in universities, medical schools, and pharmaceutical companies
- Disease prevention specialists in hospitals
- Surveillance managers in state and local health departments

MAKE A CHANGE IN THE WORLD
PREPARE TO The Online Master of Public Health I would recommend this program to people who want to pursue their master's, but need the flexibility to do it on their own time.

Jann Knappage, MPH '18
Your Time is Valuable. Make the most of it. Set yourself apart in a field that is expected to see unprecedented growth in the coming decade and cultivate your professional network in a cooperative online learning environment with a close-knit cohort of diverse professionals. With peers from a variety of professional backgrounds helping to broaden your knowledge and challenge your understanding of how public health functions across different sectors, you’ll build the confidence to make strong and informed decisions as you further your own career.

Professional Fields of Online MPH Students*

- 59% Healthcare
- 35% Educational services
- 19% Not Employed
- 6% Nonprofit
- 5% Government
- 3% Scientific/Professional
- 3% Education
- 2% Military
- 3% Other

Gain a Global Perspective
Choose an experience that challenges you. With residencies in Geneva, Switzerland and Florence, Italy as well as many global partnerships in China, India, Turkey and beyond, Kent State University offers opportunities for students to expand their horizons, connect classroom learning to global scenarios, and gain exposure to other cultures and areas of the world. To fully explore the impact of government policy and private interventions on global healthcare needs, online MPH students are encouraged to study in Geneva, Switzerland to take advantage of several unique opportunities:

- Tour the European United Nations Headquarters and the World Health Organization, and participate in the World Health Assembly
- Dialogue with worldwide government and non-governmental organization (NGO) leaders in global health initiatives
- Visit and attend briefings at the following agencies: World Health Organization, Global Fund, Diplomatic Mission of the United States of America, Doctors Without Borders, International Committee of the Red Cross and others
- Visit the International Red Crescent (Red Cross) Museum

*Retrieved on July 24, 2019, from cohort data through Summer, 2019 student-reported data

The Ability to Help Others Is Priceless So We Keep Our Program Affordable With asynchronous classes with manageable workloads, our program enables students to set themselves up for future success without taking a costly break from their current careers. Earning a degree that can help you improve the world may not be easy, but it shouldn’t be a burden; here are some ways we help our online MPH candidates on their journey:

- One of the most affordable online MPH programs in Ohio
- Receive a refund on your application fee as an enrolled student
- Flexible hours allow you to keep your full-time job
- Coursework, skills and methods learned can be immediately applicable to your current job

Almost 95 percent of our alumni rated the program as high or very high. Having the opportunity to attend the largest assembly of public health professionals, leaders, and visionaries was without a doubt one of the most life-changing experiences of my life.

- Meghan Lee, MPH ’18

MPH Outcomes by the Numbers:

- 80% female
- 20% male
- 73% Ohio residents
- 6% have advanced degrees

MPH Outcomes by the Numbers:

- 69% Have more than 4 years of work experience
- 95% Almost 95 percent of our alumni rated the program as high or very high
- Post-graduation MPH salary ranges:
  - $45K-$101K
  - $51K-$145K
  - $90K-$150K
  - $192K-$389K

Any questions? Contact An Admissions Advisor

Professionals Praise Our MPH University:

- "Healthcare" 100%
- "Professional" 98%
- "Epidemiologist" 68%
- "Medical Writer" 95%
- "Health Center Administrator" 91%
- "Management Policy Advisor" 97%
- "Chief Medical Officer" 95%

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Diverse backgrounds. Familiar Aspirations.

Study alongside classmates from a broad range of industries, from healthcare in finance, and from nonprofits to biotechnology. You’ll find common ground in your desire to change lives for the better, whether that means your immediate community or the world at large.

Working the field, you learn to master your role in public health. The MPH program opens your mind up to the entire public health system, so you understand why your role exists and understand many of the required policies associated with your profession.

- Tony Eljallad MPH ’17

Schedule a Call

Learn More
Lead the Charge for Change With a Degree That Meets Your Needs

- Three start dates: January, May, August
- Graduate in as few as two years
- Dedicated Student Success Coordinator
- 24/7 tech support
- Faculty advisor for practicum course
- Access to on-campus resources such as Career and Library Services

Step Forward and Make a Difference

Basic admissions requirements for our online MPH program include:

- Bachelor’s degree from an accredited university with a GPA of 3.0 or higher (on a 4.0 scale)
- Students who do not meet the GPA requirement may be conditionally admitted
- Completed online application form
- GRE scores: Due to COVID-19 concerns, the GRE requirement has been temporarily suspended
- Goal statement
- Three letters of recommendation from professors or employers
- Official transcripts from all prior institutions attended
- Resume/CV

If you’ve never wavered in your desire to improve others’ lives, consider how Kent State’s online Master of Public Health could help you initiate vital conversations and implement meaningful change in the public health sector.

For questions related to admissions requirements, tuition or financial aid, schedule a call with an admissions advisor or if you’re ready, apply today.

"The reason I chose to pursue my MPH online was because I wanted the flexibility to live where I wanted and to have the ability to continue to work simultaneously."
- Jann Knappage, MPH ’18

Contact An Advisor | Start an Application