

Master of Public Health (MPH) Nutrition

This program is targeted to students who are interested in seeking out leadership positions in the field of public health. The MPH degree is also frequently used as a stepping stone to medical, dental school, or other graduate programs when combined with a nutrition degree or other undergraduate science degree. Many of the required courses can be taken online to accommodate students who may already be in the workplace.

Learning Objectives

Students will demonstrate knowledge of biostatistics, epidemiology, environmental health, sociobehavioral public health, and public health policy and administration.

Students will demonstrate competency attainment through applied practice experiences in governmental, non-governmental, non-profit, industrial and for-profit settings or appropriate university-affiliated settings.

As a result of successfully completing the requirements of the MPH degree, students will be prepared for leadership positions within local, state, and federal health agencies, the private industry, and non-profit organizations.

Program Goals

- Graduate students who are ready and able to enter the public health work force or advanced study.
- Graduate students who are independent, capable, and prepared to function in leadership positions in public health.

Outcomes Data (Based on 2016 CEPH Accreditation Standards)

- 80% of graduates will be employed in the field of public health within 1 year of program completion
- 90% of graduates will complete program requirements in 3 years or less
- 20% of graduates will be enrolled in advanced degree programs within 5 years of program completion
- 70% of students will be rated as 'above average' on employer surveys 1 year after graduation
- 80% of graduates will report being 'well prepared' for public health leadership positions in 1-year alumni surveys

Data Based Decisions

See table below. Additional data will be available starting in the spring of 2020.

Master of Public Health (MPH) Nutrition Goals and Objectives

| Academic Year Started Program | # of incoming students | # of students with assistantships, TA positions, or preceptor positions | # of students who completed international fieldwork experience | Goal #1: Graduate students who are ready and able to enter the public health work force or advanced study. | | | Goal #2: Graduate students who are independent, capable, and prepared to function in leadership positions in public health. | |
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| *2017-2018 | 3 | 2 | 1 | TBD | 100% | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| 2018-2019 | 1 | 0 | 1 | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |
| 2019-2020 | 12 | 2 | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |
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*The 2017-2018 academic year was the first year of the MPH Nutrition program.

TBD-To be determined. First program graduates were in spring of 2019. As a result, minimal data is currently available to determine effectiveness of reaching program goals and objectives. Additional data will be available in the spring of 2020.