

# Master of Public Health (MPH)

APU's Master of Public Health program (<https://www.apu.edu/nursing/programs/mph-degree/>) is accredited by the WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC) (<https://www.wscuc.org/>) and is applying for accreditation from the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH) (<https://ceph.org/>) as an MPH program with a health equity specialization. As part of the program, students select 9 units of elective coursework, which allows students to group three electives of their choice to fit their public health interests and/or career goals.

## Requirements

| Code   | Title  | Units    |
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| <b>Core Courses</b>                              |  |          |
| GSPH 613   | Graduate Statistics  | 3        |
| GSPH 504   | Bioethics and Healthcare Policy  | 3        |
| GSPH 560   | Strategic Leadership in Health Care  | 3        |
| GSPH 510   | Social Determinants of Health  | 3        |
| GSPH 525   | Epidemiology   | 3        |
| GSPH 535   | Environmental Health   | 3        |
| GSPH 540   | Global Health  | 3        |
| GSPH 506   | Spiritual Concept Analysis in Health Care  | 3        |
| GSPH 526   | Public Health Biology  | 3        |
| GSPH 508C  | Research and Theory in Health Care   | 3        |
| GSPH 593   | Field Practicum  | 3        |
| GSPH 594   | Additional Field Practicum Experience (Optional)                                     | 1-5      |
| Choose one of the following:                     |  | 1-3      |
| GSPH 597   | Capstone   |          |
| - or -   |  |          |
| GSPH 598<br>& GSPH 514                           | Thesis<br>and Research Proposal Writing  |          |
| <b>Health Equity Specialization <sup>1</sup></b> |  | <b>9</b> |
| Choose three of the following:                   |  |          |
| GSPH 512   | Health, Culture, and Diversity   |          |
| GSPH 515   | Health Care Entrepreneurship   |          |
| GSPH 518   | Population Health Management   |          |
| GSPH 519   | Global Health Systems  |          |
| GSPH 520   | Public Policy, the Health Care System, and Public Health Policy in the United States |          |
| GSPH 521   | Poverty and Health Policy  |          |
| GSPH 522   | Cultural Inclusivity in Health Care  |          |
| GSPH 527   | Advanced Biostatistics and Epidemiology  |          |
| GSPH 532   | Infectious Disease Epidemiology  |          |
| GSPH 537   | Occupational Health and Safety   |          |
| GSPH 543   | Public Health Communication  |          |
| GSPH 546   | Principles and Practices of Toxicology   |          |
| GSPH 550   | Assessment, Program Planning, and Evaluation   |          |
| GSPH 551   | Theories of Health Behavior  |          |
| GSPH 555   | Infectious Diseases and Public Health  |          |
| GSPH 561   | Public Health Across the Disaster Cycle  |          |
| GSPH 566   | Politics and Policies in Disaster Health and Emergency Preparedness                  |          |
| GSPH 568   | Health Care Finance  |          |
| GSPH 571   | International Health Care  |          |
| GSPH 581   | Disaster Health and Emergency Management Principles and Practices                    |          |
| GNRS 596   | Foundations of Healthcare Informatics  |          |
| MGMT 516   | High-Performance People Management   |          |

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| MGMT 517           | Managing Human Capital                     |
| PADM 503           | The Policy Process                         |
| PADM 510           | U.S. Healthcare System                     |
| PADM 512           | Healthcare Administration                  |
| PADM 513           | Community Health and the Built Environment |
| STAT 551           | Data Visualization                         |
| STAT 553           | Data Mining                                |
| STAT 571           | Applied Multivariate Analysis              |
| <b>Total Units</b> | <b>43-50</b>                               |

<sup>1</sup> Department has recommended elective groups to aid students based on their career goals.

## Admission

University graduate admission and program-specific requirements must be met before an application is complete (see Admission to the University (<http://catalog.apu.edu/admissions/>)). **Program-specific application requirements are available online (<https://www.apu.edu/graduateprofessional/apply/>).**

International students should contact Graduate and Professional Admissions (<https://www.apu.edu/graduateprofessional/apply/>) for application procedures.

## Program Learning Outcomes

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Students who successfully complete this program shall be able to:

1. Articulate a Christian worldview, demonstrating respect for the dignity and uniqueness of others, valuing diversity and integrity, and applying spiritual concepts.
2. Engage in evidence-based methods to understand and address public health issues, using critical reasoning, scholarly inquiry, knowledge of peer-reviewed scientific literature, bioinformatics, and data analysis.
3. Design population-based policies and programs that promote health, prevent disease, and address social equity issues.
4. Apply principles of leadership to promote interprofessional collaboration and decision-making among diverse stakeholders.
5. Utilize systems-level thinking and communication in response to public health issues - analyzing and synthesizing policies and programs that address efficiency, cost-effectiveness, and health equity.