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MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN POPULATION AGING (MPH)

ABOUT

The Rutgers School of Public Health's Master of Public Health (MPH) in Population Aging degree is designed to train scholars, clinicians, advocates, and community leaders to serve the needs of elder adults – the fastest growing segment of the United States population.

Students will improve their understanding of the needs, interventions, and challenges of this population to ultimately devise and implement innovative public health and policy solutions that improve health outcomes among older adults.

Graduates will be able to better address older adults' physical and mental health, as well as, overall well-being. Graduates are eligible to sit for the Certified in Public Health Exam.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Rutgers School of Public Health offers one incoming student a full-tuition scholarship. All applicants who apply for the MPH in Population Aging degree will automatically be considered for this scholarship.

PROGRAM FORMAT

The MPH in Population Aging degree is offered to students on a full-time or part-time basis. Students will complete a total of 45 credits, including a practicum experience and capstone research project.

If completing the program as a full-time student (nine or more credits per semester), the degree requirements may be completed in as little as two years (four to five semesters).

Part-time students taking at least six credits per semester may expect to finish within four years. Taking courses in the summer may help expedite part-time students' timing.

FAST FACTS

Total Credits: 45

Format: Full-time and part-time online

Online Course Format: Asynchronous

Practicum Experience Format: Synchronous (remote)

Interprofessional Education Activity Experience Format: Synchronous (remote)

Computing Requirements: Visit **go.rutgers.edu/sph-computing**

Certified in Public Health Exam Eligibility: Yes

Application Deadline:

Fall Semester Start Date
January 15 (priority)
June 1 (regular)

Spring Semester Start Date
October 15 (priority)
December 1 (regular)

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PROGRAM FORMAT, CONT.

Students are also required to register for and complete an Interprofessional Education activity prior to graduation.

Dual-degree options are available in partnership with other Rutgers University schools. Students can earn a post-baccalaureate certificate alongside their degree with an additional 6-12 credits. Contact admissions for additional information at admissions@sph.rutgers.edu.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

A complete application includes:
- Online application: visit **go.rutgers.edu/sph-apply**
- Official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended
- Statement of goals, one-to-three pages in length, which addresses:
  - Interest in the program
  - Preparedness for the program
  - Goals and aspirations
- Two letters of recommendation with at least one letter from an academic reference if you are currently enrolled in a degree program or have graduated within the last four years
- Resume or CV
- GRE General Exam (optional)
- TOEFL or IELTS score for applicants educated in a non-native English-speaking country

Applications are accepted on a rolling, space-available basis following the regular deadline.

CURRICULUM

- Core Public Health Courses (18 credits)
- Practicum (3 credits)
- Concentration Courses (18 credits)
- Elective Courses (6 credits)
- Other Requirements

Total: 45 credits

CAREERS

- Dementia Services Coordinator
- Researcher in Aging and Public Health
- Provider Relationship Manager
- Program Coordinator
- Patient Navigator
- Home Visit Nurse

TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS

All students are required to possess a personal laptop, no older than approximately two years, and a headset with a microphone. Internet connection with a bandwidth of 100mbps is also essential.

To learn more about computing requirements, visit **go.rutgers.edu/sph-computing**

DID YOU KNOW?

The school has several research centers and works closely with Rutgers University institutes:

- Center for Public Health Workforce Development
- Center for Health, Identity, Behavior & Prevention Studies
- Center on Gun Violence Research
- Cancer Health Equity Center of Excellence
- Center for South Asian Quantitative Health & Education
- Institute for Nicotine & Tobacco Studies
- Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences Institute
- Institute for Health, Healthcare, Policy and Aging Research
- Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey
- ...and more

Ranked Among the Best in the Country

The school has been ranked No. 22 among the 2023-2024 Best Graduate Schools in Public Health by U.S. News & World Report.

$88 million

School primary faculty and students were directly awarded a historic $88 million in federal grant/contract funding in 2023. These were prime awards made to Rutgers University.

Historic Endowment for LGBTQ+ Health

A $3 million gift from James F. Dougherty, will fund the Perry N. Halkitis Endowed Chair in LGBTQ+ Public Health at the school.