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MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN OCCUPATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL MEDICINE (MPH)

ABOUT

The Rutgers School of Public Health's Master of Public Health (MPH) in Occupational and Environmental Medicine degree is designed to educate health care workers and physician trainees in the relevant health problems, policies, programs, and regulations that contribute to an individual's health by understanding and learning how to manage and prevent illness and injury caused or influenced by agents in the home, community, and workplace environment.

Graduates will be able to identify, articulate, and remedy workplace occupational safety and health issues, including exposure risks and their effects on workers, the general public, and vulnerable communities. Graduates will also be well-trained in toxicology and dose-response, federal and state regulatory standards, and environmental factors that impact health outcomes.

Graduates are eligible to sit for the Certified in Public Health Exam.

PROGRAM FORMAT

The MPH in Occupational and Environmental Medicine 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).

FAST FACTS



Program Size: 5 Students

Total Credits: 45

Format: Full-time and part-time in-person; some online courses available

Degree Options: Dual degree and 15+ additional certificates

Certified in Public Health Exam Eligibility: Yes

Application Deadlines:

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

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

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PROGRAM FORMAT, CONT.

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. Courses are available in-person, remote, and/or online.

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 (15 credits)
- Elective Courses (9 credits)
- Other Requirements

Total: 45 credits

FOR THOSE INTERESTED:

- Occupational Medicine Physician
- Medical Doctor
- Nurse
- Physician Assistant



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.