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MD + POPULATION HEALTH CERTIFICATE

Provides the Essential Skills in the Core Areas of Public Health

ABOUT

The 15-Credit Population Health Certificate can help you build a foundation in public health, expand your job or fellowship opportunities, or serve as a stepping stone to the Master of Public Health (MPH) degree. Only students accepted into or enrolled in the Rutgers New Jersey Medical School are eligible to apply for the MD+Population Health Certificate program. (Other medical schools may be added upon review of population health-based coursework).

Why earn a Population Health Certificate as an MD student?

- Training in population health provides a broad, contemporary perspective for future health care leaders who must deal with such problems as medical care for the poor and uninsured, global epidemics, and assessing health outcomes
- Specialized training in the core areas of public health can increase the impact of physicians' work with individuals and communities
- Completion of this certificate will provide students with a clear understanding of the role of public health in society

PROGRAM DESIGN

You can complete the Population Health Certificate in two to three semesters, or you can plan a schedule for completing the courses over a two-year period (*maximum timeframe*). The late afternoon/evening schedule and online course offerings in fall, spring, and summer semesters make it convenient to continue your MD education while earning your Population Health Certificate.

CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS (15 credits) *Courses are available in-person, remote and/or online, varying by semester and course.*

- **PHCO 0501** - Health Systems and Policy (3 cr.)
- **PHCO 0503** - Introduction to Environmental Health (3 cr.)
- **PHCO 0505** - Social and Behavioral Health Sciences in Public Health (3 cr.)
- Plus up to six (6) elective credit hours transferred from the population health-based Medical School Curriculum.

MD+Population Health Certificate students who are interested in pursuing an MPH at the Rutgers School of Public Health may apply the three PHCO courses toward the MPH if a B or better is earned. In addition, the six (6) transfer credits of population health-based MD curriculum may also be applied to the MPH. (Population Health Certificate holders must apply and be admitted to the MPH program).



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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
- ...and more

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MD + Population Health Certificate Graduate

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must have:

- ▶ Completed an accredited undergraduate program in the U.S. or its equivalent
- ▶ Demonstrated academic achievement in an appropriate discipline
- ▶ Be enrolled in the Rutgers New Jersey Medical School

Applicants must submit:

- ▶ Application for Admission
- ▶ Letter of intent, including statement of purpose for application to the program
- ▶ Written requests to the NJMS Admissions/ Registrar offices to send the following documents: *MCAT Score report / Letters of recommendation / All grade transcripts, including New Jersey Medical School*

International applicants must submit:

- ▶ TOEFL scores and WES evaluations

APPLY TODAY!



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COST

Tuition is governed by Rutgers University and is subject to change without notice. Please visit the [Rutgers School of Public Health's Tuition & Fees webpage](https://sph.rutgers.edu/admissions/tuition-fees) (<https://sph.rutgers.edu/admissions/tuition-fees>) to confirm current tuition rates and fees.

Gainful Employment information can be found [here](https://sph.rutgers.edu/sites/default/files/2023-03/Gainful-Employment-disclosure.pdf) (<https://sph.rutgers.edu/sites/default/files/2023-03/Gainful-Employment-disclosure.pdf>)

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