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ONLINE

MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH (MPH) IN SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH, RIGHTS AND JUSTICE

ABOUT

The degree is offered **100% online in a mixed format** that includes both synchronous courses, held at scheduled times via Zoom, and asynchronous courses that can be completed online on your own schedule.

The Rutgers School of Public Health's Master of Public Health (MPH) in Sexual and Reproductive Health, Rights and Justice (SRHRJ) degree prepares students to advance equity, human rights, and social justice in the field of sexual and reproductive health.

Through a rigorous and interdisciplinary curriculum, students will develop the knowledge and skills to evaluate and apply social, behavioral, legal, and epidemiological approaches in the design of SRHRJ research, policies, and programs. Additionally, students will learn how to assess and interpret data sources used in surveillance and policy development, identify measurement gaps and biases, and analyze laws, policies, and programs. Students will also engage with ethical, legal, and social justice frameworks to inform the analysis, design, and evaluation of sexual and reproductive health strategies and interventions.

Graduates are eligible to sit for the [Certified in Public Health Exam](#).

CAREERS

- Sexual and reproductive health program manager or director
- Reproductive justice or health policy analyst
- Research and evaluation for SRHRJ programs and policies
- Advocacy or policy roles in reproductive health, human rights, or social justice organizations
- Health education or communications
- Positions in government, nonprofits, foundations, research centers, and community-based organizations

PROGRAM FORMAT

The 100% online Master of Public Health (MPH) in Sexual and Reproductive Health, Rights and Justice 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



Total Credits: 45

Format: Full-time and part-time online

Online Mixed Course Format: Asynchronous and synchronous

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

Certified in Public Health Exam Eligibility: Yes

Application Deadline:

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.

This 100% online program uses an online mixed format approach—pairing the engagement of live virtual classes, through synchronous courses, with the convenience of asynchronous courses.

Like traditional classroom courses, the synchronous courses are held at a specific time and day virtually, such as through Zoom. For asynchronous courses, students can expect to complete their coursework asynchronously (at any time of day) online, except for group projects that will require meetings with classmates. Throughout the program, students will digitally interact, virtually and digitally, with their professors and classmates through various opportunities, such as discussion boards and collaborative projects throughout each semester. Students will also be able to review and access course materials and other forums online.

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

A practicum experience is also mandatory and may be completed locally. Student practicum orientation and meetings may be completed synchronously (at a specific date and time), however, the format of the practicum experience—in-person or remote—is determined by the practicum site. Students can pursue practicum experiences with a range of organizations, including community-based organizations, health departments, advocacy groups, research institutes, and policy organizations working on issues such as reproductive autonomy, access to care, maternal health equity, contraception, abortion policy, LGBTQ+ health, and health systems reform.

Students can earn a post-baccalaureate certificate alongside their degree with an additional 6-12 credits. Areas of interest may include certificates in [LGBTQ Health](#), [Maternal and Child Health](#), or [Global Public Health](#). 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.

WHY CHOOSE THE MPH IN SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH, RIGHTS AND JUSTICE DEGREE?



"As sexual and reproductive health, rights, and justice are increasingly challenged, the Rutgers School of Public Health prepares students to analyze and respond to the structural, social, and political forces that shape reproductive autonomy. Our fully online program connects students across the country and around the world—regardless of the legal and social contexts in which they live."

Laura Lindberg, PhD, Professor and Sexual and Reproductive Health, Rights and Justice Concentration Director

DID YOU KNOW?

Ranked Among the Best in the Country

The school is ranked among the top 20 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, funded the Perry N. Halkitis Endowed Chair in LGBTQ+ Public Health at the school.

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