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# MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH CERTIFICATE

*Provides Leadership in Maternal and Child Health*

## ABOUT

The 15-Credit Maternal and Child Health Certificate is designed to provide the individual with a broad understanding of the field that focuses on the health and welfare of women and children. The Certificate uses a life course perspective to address persistent and emerging issues pertaining to maternal and child health (MCH), including training in the skills needed to identify health disparities and strategies for addressing them.

The **Maternal and Child Health Certificate** is intended for:

- Public health and other health professional students
- Those working in the maternal and child health field
- Those working in local and state departments of health
- Those working in health care settings serving the MCH population

## PROGRAM DESIGN

You can complete the Maternal and Child 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 makes it convenient to continue working or gain experience while earning your Maternal and Child Health Certificate.

Depending on the degree program and concentration, certificate courses may also be applied toward a degree at the Rutgers School of Public Health. Certificate holders must apply and be admitted to the degree program.

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

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>PHCO 0501</b> - Health Systems and Policy (3 cr.)</li> <li>➤ <b>PHCO 0502</b> - Principles and Methods of Epidemiology (3 cr.)</li> <li>➤ <b>UGPH 0560</b> - Foundations of Maternal and Child Health (3 cr.)</li> </ul> <p><i>AND one of the following two courses:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>EPID 0607</b> - Reproductive and Perinatal Epidemiology (3 cr.)</li> <li>➤ <b>EPID 0679</b> - Life Course Epidemiology (3cr.)</li> </ul> | <p><i>AND one of the following four courses:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>HBSP 0602</b> - Long-Term Effects of Childhood Inequality and Early Life Adversity (3 cr.)</li> <li>➤ <b>UGPH 0561</b> - Sexual and Reproductive Health, Rights and Justice in the United States (3 cr.)</li> <li>➤ <b>UGPH 0563</b> - Global Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health, Rights and Justice (3 cr.)</li> <li>➤ <b>UGPH 0621</b> - Public Health and Health Disparities (3 cr.)</li> </ul> |
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Graduates of CEPH-accredited schools and programs of public health may transfer up to six (6) credits towards a certificate program if earned within the past seven years with a grade of B or better and are deemed appropriate by the respective Certificate Program Coordinator.



### 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

I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN INTERESTED IN THE MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH FIELD. COMPLETING A MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH (MCH) CERTIFICATE ALONGSIDE MY MPH STUDIES WAS VERY BENEFICIAL TO ME, AS IT OFFERED FRESH PERSPECTIVES ON A DEMOGRAPHIC I AM PASSIONATE ABOUT. WITH THIS CERTIFICATE I ASPIRE TO USE MY EXPERTISE TO MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF MOTHERS AND CHILDREN AS A FUTURE HEALTHCARE PROVIDER.

*Yashoda Guardabasco, MPH '23, Maternal and Child 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

### Applicants must submit:

- ▶ Application for Admission
- ▶ Official transcripts of all prior work
- ▶ Letter of intent, including statement of purpose for application to the program
- ▶ Two (2) letters of recommendation
- ▶ Application fee

### International applicants must submit:

- ▶ TOEFL scores and WES evaluations

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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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