

MASTER OF
Public Health Program



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PROGRAM MISSION

Through a dynamic program of education, research, and service, it is the mission of the CWRU MPH Program to prepare graduates to develop, implement, and evaluate authentic solutions to community health problems that promote and protect the health of diverse populations. Accredited by the Council on Education in Public Health in 2006, the CWRU MPH Program is an outstanding addition to educational, research, and service resources of Case Western Reserve University's great health science tradition. The program takes advantage of the strong assets of the School of Medicine, the Department of Epidemiology & Biostatistics, and related CWRU graduate and professional school programs and has moved quickly into prominence as a program meeting important global, national, and local educational and research needs.

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What is a Master of Public Health degree?

A Master of Public Health degree prepares students to address the broad mission of public health, defined as “enhancing health in human populations, through organized community effort,” utilizing education, research, and community service.

Who should be interested in the CWRU MPH Program?

Anyone with professional and personal interest in working to improve the health of human populations should consider the CWRU MPH Program. Many CWRU students come to the program holding advanced degrees or in pursuit of one of the dual public health degrees that we offer (MD/MPH, JD/MPH, MA-PhD Anthropology/MPH, MSN/MPH, MBA/MPH, MA Bioethics/MPH, DMD/MPH, and MSSA/MPH).

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What is special about the CWRU MPH Program?

- Best that the academic and community have to offer – actively engaged with local public health practice, yet integrated within a nationally ranked research-oriented department.
- Affiliated with hospitals – The Cleveland Clinic Foundation, MetroHealth and University Hospitals Case Medical Center are among the nation's best.
- Strong partnership with prestigious schools of Medicine, Nursing, Business, Law, Dental Medicine, Applied Social Science and programs in Medical Anthropology and Bioethics.
- Collaboration with local health departments, including the Cuyahoga County Board of Health, the Cleveland Department of Public Health, and the Shaker Heights Health Department.
- Community partners include the Cleveland Free Clinic, AIDS Task Force, Care Alliance, and many health-oriented nonprofit agencies.
- Campus partners include the Prevention Research Center for Healthy Neighborhoods, Research Association of Public Health Improvement, and the Department of Family Medicine – Research Division, among many others.
- Dynamic, intellectually, and culturally diverse student body.
- Strong emphasis on public health and social justice.
- Strong support for and curricular emphasis on student research.
- Students, faculty and staff regularly participate in service activities related to the community and the profession.
- Committed, innovative, highly accessible faculty and staff.

What is the CWRU MPH Program curriculum?

The CWRU MPH Program has a two-year curriculum requiring 42 credit hours. Eighteen credits are accumulated in six core required courses, each representing a fundamental domain of public health. Students receive nine credits for three courses in the major of their choice, six credits for two free electives, and nine credits for the Capstone Project, a public health field practicum. MPH students are also required to attend a two-part seminar series for no credit. Students may also enroll part-time and take courses over a three to five year period.



Majors

Currently, four different majors are offered by the CWRU MPH Program. Individual emphasis will differ from student to student within each major. With additional coursework, a double major can also be done.

- Population Health Research
- Global Health
- Health Care Policy & Administration
- Health Promotion & Disease Prevention

Capstone Project

The Capstone Project is the centerpiece of the CWRU MPH Program. It provides students with the opportunity to apply knowledge and skills acquired through academic courses in a real life setting in an area of personal interest. During the field practicum, the student completes a service or research-oriented project that is mutually beneficial to the student's academic progress and the needs of the field placement site. The student also completes a Master's Essay and presents their findings to advisors, peers, and the community during the Innovations in Population Health: Research, Programs and Policy conference, sponsored by the MPH Program in the fall and spring semesters.

What are the Admission Requirements for the CWRU MPH Program?

The MPH Admissions Committee seeks candidates with strong communication and analytical skills with a passion for the mission of the public health profession. Evidence of scholarship, service, and commitment to public health is sought in all the application components. Applicants must have good academic records from fully accredited universities and colleges, and students admitted to the program should already hold undergraduate degrees. For complete application information, please visit www.casemph.org.

The MPH Program accepts applications for both fall and spring semesters. The deadline for a fall application is June 30th and November 15th for a spring application. Please note that international applicants can only apply for fall semesters. Prospective dual degree students should apply to both the MPH Program and the partner program of their choice, as admission to each program is handled independently.

“It’s Not About You,
It’s Not About Them,
It’s About Us.”

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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