

# MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH (MPH)



## MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE HEALTH OF YOUR COMMUNITY

With the increased focus on health care reform and legislation, the rapidly changing field of public health is expected to see a growing demand for public health professionals. The Master of Public Health degree is a widely recognized credential for those seeking leadership and managerial positions in governmental, nonprofit, and private organizations in the industry. Develop the skills and knowledge to further your career as an advocate for the advancement of healthy individuals, organizations, and communities.

# WHY STUDY AT PURDUE GLOBAL'S SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES?

## FLEXIBILITY FOR WORKING ADULTS

Complete your coursework 100% online, while meeting the demands of your career. In addition, you can visit one of our regional locations to take advantage of local, onsite support and services. The program also includes an exciting fieldwork component.

## FACULTY EXPERTISE

Learn from experienced faculty who are experts in the field of public health, and who continue to be active in the public health arena. All of our professors possess advanced academic degrees.

## TRANSFER CREDITS

Transfer up to 50% of the credits needed for your degree—we offer a generous transfer credit policy to help make your education affordable and efficient.<sup>1</sup>

## HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE

Build practical experience and strengthen your resume through fieldwork opportunities that provide onsite training. In addition, a final capstone project allows you to apply what you learn in class to real-world issues in public health.

## ONE-ON-ONE MENTORING

Work directly with faculty through online discussion boards and seminars, and enjoy no-cost individual tutoring. In addition, academic and career advisors are dedicated to helping you balance school with your career and life responsibilities.

## NATIONALLY RANKED AND RESPECTED

Purdue Global is part of the respected Purdue University system. One of the most prestigious research universities in the world, Purdue University is ranked in the top 10 best public universities in the U.S. by *The Wall Street Journal/Times Higher Education*.<sup>2</sup>



# CURRICULUM

Our comprehensive curriculum provides you with a broad understanding of public health, covering relevant concepts, values, research methods, and applications. Courses are reviewed and revised regularly by industry experts to ensure they reflect the most recent developments in the field.

## COURSES

- Health Care Statistics
- Foundations in Public Health
- Health Behavior
- Principles of Epidemiology
- Environmental Health
- Public Health Biology
- Public Health Leadership and Administration
- Practical Skills in Public Health I and II
- Master of Public Health Capstone

**Electives:** Customize your program to develop specialized expertise in the area of public health best aligned to your career interests. Choose from a wide range of electives such as:

- Disaster Management for Public Health Professionals
- International Epidemiology and Global Health
- Public Health Grant and Contract Writing

## Program Outcomes

- Demonstrate an evidence-based approach to public health practice.
- Leverage fundamental epidemiological concepts in addressing population health problems.
- Appraise current and relevant health issues and policy.
- Implement leadership, administrative, and communication skills through planning, organization, administration, and evaluation of public health programs and processes.
- Evaluate concepts and methods of social and behavioral sciences relevant to the identification and solution of public health problems.

## PROGRAM DETAIL

**Credit Hours:** 56 (14 courses)

**Program Length:** 18 months of full-time study

**Course Load:** 2 courses per term

**Terms:** 10 weeks long

**Start Dates:** Throughout the year

**Delivery:** Courses are online with a final onsite fieldwork component



## ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

- Master of Health Care Administration
- Master of Science in Health Education
- Master of Health Informatics
- Master of Health Information Management

# CAREER AND NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

## INDUSTRY OUTLOOK

- Employment of **health educators, community health workers, and medical and health service managers** is expected to grow much faster than the average for all occupations.<sup>3</sup>
- Health care occupations are projected to add more jobs than any other occupational group, with **2.4 million new jobs** expected by 2026.<sup>4</sup>
- Epidemiological and public health capacity, which is the ability of state and local agencies to provide public health services and respond to emergencies, has increased dramatically over the past decade, with employment of epidemiologists expected to continue growing.<sup>5</sup>

## CAREER PATHWAYS AND OUTCOMES<sup>6</sup>

### Roles

- Public health advisor
- Public health educator
- Health analyst
- Environmental health worker
- International health worker
- Prevention specialist
- Community health worker/advocate
- Disaster preparedness specialist
- Medical or health services manager
- Health educator

### Settings

- County health departments
- Public health agencies
- Infection control departments
- Nonprofit organizations focused on public health, such as the American Red Cross
- Environmental health agencies
- Organizations dedicated to developing health policies

## CAREER SERVICES

Our team of Career Specialists helps connect students with job and networking opportunities and offers the following assistance:

- Career assessment/exploration
- Resume and cover letter review
- Interview preparation/mock interviews
- Portfolio development to showcase your skills
- Assistance in building an online presence
- Job search and networking support
- Virtual career fairs
- 24/7 online access to job openings and career development tools

"I was able to create and develop my passions. The variety of classes and the internship allowed me to experience different parts of my field, and really hone in on what made me tick."

### Moriah Slade

Master of Public Health Graduate<sup>7</sup>

## Accredited by The Higher Learning Commission

This accreditation covers all academic programs, all regional locations, and all programs provided via distance education. Contact the HLC at [HLCommission.org](http://HLCommission.org) or call 800-621-7440.

## Military Friendly

We offer reduced tuition rates for servicemembers, veterans, and spouses.



This accolade was awarded prior to the March 2018 purchase of Kaplan University by Purdue University and subsequent creation of Purdue University Global. Purdue Global cannot guarantee future accolades.

Contact an Admissions Advisor at **844-PURDUE-G** or visit **PurdueGlobal.edu**.

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For comprehensive consumer information, visit [Info.PurdueGlobal.edu](http://Info.PurdueGlobal.edu).

- 1 Purdue Global does not guarantee transferability of credit. Future transfer credit savings are subject to review and the academic policies of Purdue Global. See the University Catalog for Prior Learning Assessment policy.
- 2 Source: [www.timeshighereducation.com/student/best-universities/best-public-universities-united-states](http://www.timeshighereducation.com/student/best-universities/best-public-universities-united-states). Rankings apply to Purdue University West Lafayette and not to Purdue Global.
- 3 Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, *Occupational Outlook Handbook*, Health Educators and Community Health Workers, and Medical and Health Services Managers. National long-term projections may not reflect local and/or short-term economic or job conditions, and do not guarantee actual job growth.
- 4 Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, *Occupational Outlook Handbook*, Healthcare Occupations.
- 5 Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, *Occupational Outlook Handbook*, Epidemiologists.
- 6 Purdue Global cannot guarantee employment or career advancement. Additional training or certification may be required. Prior experience may be necessary for leadership positions. In addition, job titles and responsibilities may vary from organization to organization.
- 7 This testimonial was obtained by Kaplan University. Purdue University acquired Kaplan University in March 2018 and created Purdue University Global, which is following the same curriculum format and instructional delivery methods as developed and used by Kaplan University. The views and opinions expressed are those of the individual; experiences may vary.