

# Master of PUBLIC HEALTH (MPH)

#### Come Back Stronger with a Public Health Degree That Opens Doors

In the wake of unprecedented health care events, an aging population, globalization, and spikes in chronic disease, public health professionals are needed now more than ever. Prepare to move your career — and the health of your community — forward with Purdue Global's Master of Public Health. Our online program helps you develop the skills and knowledge to manage public health programs and interventions, advocate for legislation, serve as a health policy consultant, and more as you advance into leadership and managerial positions within the public health field.



## Why Study at Purdue Global's School of Health Sciences?

#### **Built for Working Adults**

Complete courses online, without compromising your work or family schedule.

#### **Backed by the Power of Purdue**

Earn a degree you can be proud of — and employers will respect. Achieve more in the public health field with a name that opens doors in your career.

#### **Expert Faculty**

Learn from public health and education experts who are practicing professionals in the field. All Health Sciences faculty possess advanced academic degrees.

#### **Practical Experience You Can Count On**

Strengthen your resume and gain hands-on experience through a final capstone project that takes a practical approach to address real-world public health challenges.

#### **Personal Support**

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.

#### Earn Credit for Your Prior Professional Degree

If you hold an MD, DO, ND, DC, or PharmD degree from an accredited university, you may be eligible to receive 8-20 transfer credits toward your master's degree.<sup>1</sup>

#### An Education That's Proven and Respected

Purdue Global is backed by Purdue University. One of the most prestigious universities in the world, Purdue ranked #16 overall and #1 in education among *Fast Company* magazine's prestigious **World's Most** Innovative Companies.<sup>2</sup>



## Curriculum

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

#### **Core Courses Include:**

- Fundamentals of Public Health and Health Systems
- Public Health Biology A Global Perspective
- Social and Behavioral Theory and Frameworks
- Principles of Epidemiology
- Biostatistics for Public Health
- Issues and Concepts in Maternal and Child Health
- Foundations of PH Research
- Survey of Environmental and Occupational Health
- Health Policy
- Public Health Programming
- Health Informatics
- Master of Public Health Capstone

**Concentrations:** Customize your program to develop specialized expertise in the area of public health best aligned with your career interests.

- Epidemiology
- Public Health Leadership and Administration
- Public Health Informatics

Students may opt for a non-concentration generalist option, which accommodates a choice of electives or the global health micro-credential.

#### **Program Outcomes**

- Analyze the impact of the social determinants of health on population-level outcomes.
- Appraise current and relevant health issues and policies.
- Incorporate an evidence-based approach that is culturally and linguistically appropriate.
- Leverage ethical principles, epidemiological concepts, and socio-behavioral frameworks to make recommendations for public health practice.
- Apply leadership and management principles to address a relevant issue.
- Demonstrate professional competence in communicating effectively with diverse target groups.



#### **Program Detail**

Credit Hours: 64 (16 courses) Program Length: 2 years of full-time study Course Load: 2 courses per term Terms: 10 weeks long Start Dates: Throughout the year

Delivery: 100% online courses

#### **Additional Programs**

- Master of Health Care Administration
- Master of Science in Health Education
  and Promotion
- Master of Health Informatics
- Doctor of Health Science



## **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 through 2033.<sup>3</sup>
- Health care occupations are projected to add more jobs than any other occupational group, with about 1.9 million new jobs expected by 2033.<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>

Community health

worker/advocate

Medical or health

services manager

Public health program

specialist

manager

Disaster preparedness

#### **Career Pathways and Outcomes<sup>6</sup>**

#### Roles

- Public health advisor
- Public health educator
- Health analyst
- Environmental health worker
- International health worker
- Prevention specialist

#### 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

#### The Center for Career Advancement

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

The HLC (HLCommission.org) is an institutional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

#### **Military Friendly**

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

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

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PLEASE READ

For comprehensive consumer information, visit Info.PurdueGlobal.edu.

- 2 Source: www.fastcompany.com/most-innovative-companies/list. Ranking applies 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 does not guarantee employment placement or career advancement. Actual outcomes vary by geographic area, previous work experience and opportunities for employment.
- 7 This testimonial was obtained by Kaplan University. Purdue University acquired Kaplan University in March 2018 and created Purdue 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.

<sup>1</sup> Credit for Prior Learning: Purdue Global does not guarantee transferability of credit. See the University Catalog for the Prior Learning policy.