

Public Health/Human Services (MPH/HMS) Joint Degree

The MPH/HMS joint degree is a 71 credit hour master degree option that requires students to take 40 credit hours from MPH and 28 credit hours from HMS, plus a 4 credit hour internship from the MPH Program. Students take core classes from both MPH and HMS, as well as concentration and elective courses. Closure exercises from both departments are required. All prerequisites from each department apply. Interested students must meet with an academic advisor prior to enrolling. Students must submit a graduation application for each degree by the applicable deadline and will earn two separate degrees.

Requirements

MPH Core Courses

MPH 501	Introduction to Public Health	4
MPH 503	Biostatistics	4
MPH 506	Research Methods in Public Health	4
MPH 511	Epidemiology	4
MPH 521	Introduction to Environmental Health	4
MPH 531	Public Health Policy	4
MPH 561	Public Health Education	4

HMS Core Courses

HMS 501	Critical Perspectives in Human Services	3
HMS 511	Social Policy and Human Services	3
HMS 514	Staff Development and Supervision	3
HMS 516	Ethics and Professional Development	3

Internship Requirement

MPH 581	Internship ^{1,2}	4
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MPH Concentration Courses

Social Determinants of Health (Required) 4

MPH 541	Social Determinants of Health	
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Advanced Epidemiology (Select one course from the following) 4

MPH 512	Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases	
MPH 513	Epidemiology of Chronic Diseases	
MPH 514	Analytical Epidemiology	

Advanced Public Health Policy (Select one course from the following) 4

MPH 508	Program Evaluation for Public Health	
MPH 575	Health Economics	
MPH 585	Introduction to Health Services and Administration	

HMS Elective Courses 12

Select three courses from one of the following concentrations:

Alcohol and Substance Abuse

HMS 521	Advanced Interviewing and Intervention	
HMS 525	Alcoholism and Substance Abuse	
HMS 527	Assessment and Treatment of Substance Abuse	
HMS 528	Dual Diagnosis and Relapse Prevention	

Child and Family Studies

HMS 521	Advanced Interviewing and Intervention	
HMS 525	Alcoholism and Substance Abuse	
HMS 533	Child Abuse And Neglect	
HMS 537	Treating Children from Diverse Populations	
HMS 567	Family Dynamics and Intervention	

Gerontology

HMS 508	Psychology Of Aging	
HMS 529	Perspectives on Aging	
HMS 538	Social Services Administration	
HMS 563	Sociology of Death, Dying, and Bereavement	
HMS 582	Aging And The Human Services	
HMS 588	Grant Writing in Human Services	

Nursing Home Administration

HMS 532	The Psycho-Social Aspects of Aging in the 21st Century	
HMS 541	Senior Care Administration	
HMS 589	Financial Management in the Nonprofit Sector	

Social Service Administration

BUS 541	Organizational Behavior	
HMS 514	Staff Development and Supervision	
HMS 538	Social Services Administration	
HMS 584	Introduction to Nonprofit Management	
HMS 588	Grant Writing in Human Services	
PAD 502	Organization Dynamics	
PAD 505	Human Resource Management	
PAD 543	Marketing for Public and Nonprofit Organizations	
PAD 544	Fund Raising for Public and Nonprofit Organizations	

Closure Exercises

HMS 585	HMS Capstone	3
MPH Comprehensive Examination ³		

Total Hours 71

¹ Students in the joint MPH/HMS degree are required to complete 400 contact hours for the internship.

² Students may submit a Student Petition to use PAD 561 as one hour toward the internship requirement.

³ Students MUST complete the MPH Comprehensive Examination. No credit hours are awarded for completion of the exam. Students who do not complete the examination during their final semester of study must enroll in MPH 583 (zero credit hours, one billable credit hour) each regular semester (fall/spring) until they pass the exam.