

Public Health/Public Administration (MPH/MPA) Joint Degree

The MPH Program and the MPA Program have established a joint degree in accordance with university policy. Students interested in this joint degree can contact either the MPA or MPH office. This joint degree requires two separate program applications. Students must meet entrance requirements for each. Students may complete a joint degree with a total of 74 credit hours, compared to a total of 84 for the two degrees separately. Students pursuing this joint degree will be required to complete an appropriate closure exercise in each of the two degree organizations. Students must submit a graduation application for each degree by the applicable deadline and will earn two separate degrees.

Requirements

Core Requirements

PAD 501	Introduction to the Profession	3
PAD 502	Organization Dynamics	3
PAD 504	Budget And Finance	3
PAD 505	Human Resource Management	3
PAD 506	Public Policy for Managers	3
PAD 507	Information for Decision Making	3

Select one of the following 3

PAD 531	Public Policy Analysis	
PAD 533	Program Evaluation	
PAD 553	Community Planning and Policy	

Electives

Select six hours of 400- or 500- level PAD courses ¹ 6

Closure Exercise

PAD 571	Capstone Seminar	3
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Total Hours 30

Core Requirements

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
MPH 581	Internship	4

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	

Closure Exercise

MPH Comprehensive Examination ²		
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Total Hours 44

- ¹ If PAD 531, PAD 533, or PAD 553 was taken to satisfy the quantitative core requirement elective, it cannot count in this elective category.
- ² Students MUST complete the MPH Comprehensive Examination. No credit hours are awarded for completion of the exam. Students who do not complete this 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