

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

The UIS Departments of Human Services and Public Health have an articulation agreement that allows interested students to obtain a joint master's degree in Human Services and Public Health (HMS/MPH). Although many courses are offered online, the HMS/MPH joint degree is classified as an on campus joint degree. The HMS/MPH joint degree is a 71 credit hour master's degree option that requires students to take 40 credit hours from MPH and 27 credit hours from HMS, plus a 4 credit hour internship from the MPH program. Students take core classes from both HMS and MPH, 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.

Program Learning Outcomes

Learning outcomes are important components for all academic programs at the University of Illinois Springfield and are required by the Higher Learning Commission. Questions related to the learning outcomes for this program should be addressed to the applicable department/school.

Requirements

Core Requirements

HMS Core Courses

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| 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 |

MPH Core Courses

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| 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 |

Internship Requirement

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| MPH 581 | Internship ¹ | 4 |
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MPH Concentration Courses

Social Determinants of Health (Required)

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

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| 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)

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

HMS Electives

Select three courses from one of the following concentrations: **12**

Alcohol and Substance Abuse

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| 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

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| 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

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| HMS 508 | Psychology Of Aging | |
| HMS 529 | Perspectives on Aging | |
| HMS 563 | Sociology of Death, Dying, and Bereavement | |
| HMS 582 | Aging And The Human Services | |

Nursing Home Administration Concentration

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| 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

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| HMS 538 | Social Services Administration | |
| HMS 584 | Introduction to Nonprofit Management | |
| HMS 588 | Grant Writing in Human Services | |
| HMS 589 | Financial Management in the Nonprofit Sector | |

HMS Closure

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| HMS 585 | HMS Capstone | 3 |
| MPH Comprehensive Examination Closure ² | | 0 |

Total Hours **71**

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

² 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.