

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

The School of Public Management and Policy and the UIS Department of Public Health have established a joint degree program in accordance with university policy.

Students interested in earning both the MPA degree and the MPH degree can contact either the MPA or MPH office.

Students may complete the two degrees with a total of 74 credit hours through the joint degree program, compared to a total of 84 for the two degrees separately.

Students pursuing this joint degree program option 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.

## 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

### PAD Degree 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: <sup>1</sup>

PAD 531	Public Policy Analysis	3
PAD 533	Program Evaluation	3
PAD 553	Community Planning and Policy	3

### Electives <sup>2</sup>

### Select six hours of 400- or 500- level PAD courses

<b>Master Closure</b>		
PAD 571	Capstone Seminar	3
PAD 572	Capstone Seminar Continuing Enrollment	0

**Total Hours** **30**

<sup>1</sup> If PAD 531, PAD 533, or PAD 553 was taken to satisfy the quantitative core requirement elective, it cannot count in this elective category.

<sup>2</sup> Students may submit a Student Petition to use PAD 561 as one credit hour toward the internship requirement.

## Master Closure

Students enrolled in the PAD major program, who enroll in PAD 571 but do not complete the course in one semester, must enroll in PAD 572 Capstone Seminar Continuing Enrollment (zero credit hours, one billable hour), each fall and spring semester until the course work is completed.

## Requirements

### MPH Degree 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 <sup>2</sup>	4

### Concentration Courses

#### Social Determinants of Health (Required) **4**

MPH 541	Social Determinants of Health	4
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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	

### Master Closure

MPH 579	Comprehensive Examination	0
MPH 583	Comprehensive Exam Continuing Enrollment	0

**Total Hours** **44**

## Master Closure

Students MUST complete the MPH 579 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.