



2021-2022 PROGRAM GUIDE: Master of Public Health – Health Promotion

Information in this document is updated annually. Please refer to the document for the year you entered the program. Student resources, policies, and procedures applicable to all School of Public Health graduate students can be found on the SPH website, www.ohsu-psu-sph.org.

Overview

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<https://ohsu-psu-sph.org/mph-health-promotion/>

The Health Promotion program is an interdisciplinary course of study providing students with specialized training in public health promotion and education. Through coursework and community-based experiences, students learn to address factors in the broader social, economic, policy, and built environments to improve the health of populations. In this track students build practice and research skills for population-level intervention, including program development, implementation, and evaluation. The curriculum further offers opportunities to focus on health across the lifespan. Graduates of the Health Promotion track will be able to effectively recognize and assess health disparities, communicate health information, promote health equity, and mobilize resources for social change.

Program Competencies

Students graduating from the MPH: Health Promotion (HP) degree program will be able to:

- Apply theory in the development, implementation, and evaluation of health promotion interventions, programs, and policies.
- Develop interventions and programs to effect change at multiple levels, including individual, community, organizations, and policy.
- Design and implement strategies to promote health.
- Solicit and integrate input from community and organization stakeholders.
- Design and deliver health communication messages.
- Evaluate and interpret results from program evaluations and other research.
- Define research problems, frame research questions, design research procedures, and outline methods of analysis.
- Apply ethical principles that govern the practice of public health.
- Demonstrate cultural competency in health promotion among all social and cultural communities.

MPH: Health Promotion Program of Study

Course Number	Course Title	Credits
Core Required Coursework (22 Credits)		
BSTA 525	Introduction to Biostatistics	4
EPI 512	Epidemiology I	4
ESHH 511	Concepts of Environmental Health	3
HSMP 574	Health Systems Organization	3
PHE 512	Principles of Health Behavior	3
Exam	Certified in Public Health Examination	0; Pass
PHE 504PE	Practice Experience	4
PHE 502IP	Integrative Project	1



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Program Required Coursework (29 Credits)		
Varies	Interprofessional Course (choose only one): Offerings vary, and may include IPE 515, Community Organizing for Health Equity IPE 525, Relational Leadership UNI 502 Conversations in Global Health	1
PHE 511	Foundations of Public Health	3
PHE 517	Community Organizing	3
PHE 519	Etiology of Disease	3
PHE 520	Qualitative Research Design	3
PHE 521	Quantitative Research Design	3
PHE 540 or PHE 541	Mass Communication (<i>not offered 2020-21</i>) or Media Advocacy and Public Health	3
PHE 550	Program Planning	4
HSMP 573	Values & Ethics in Health	3
HSMP 588	Program Evaluation & Management	3
Elective area of emphasis (9 Credits)		
Total Credits		60



MPH Health Promotion: Recommended Course Sequence

Below are the recommended course sequences for full-time MPH Health Promotion students and dual-degree MPH/MURP and MPH/MSW students. Other schedules are possible. However, *every SPH program has a quarter in which its students are prioritized for registration for certain (required) courses*. It is important that you register promptly, and that you make every attempt to follow the term-by-term course plans laid out below, as your program has priority registration for required courses specified during those terms.

Priority registration is only open for a limited period (typically 3 weeks). Once priority registration ends, students from other programs may register for these courses. While there is some flexibility to take courses in alternate terms, *we can only hold space for you during your prioritized registration term, during the priority registration period*. If you wait to register until after the priority period, or decide to take a course in another term, we cannot guarantee you a spot.

Always consult your Faculty Advisor regarding your program of study and course selection to determine the schedule that fits best for you. If you receive federal financial aid, it is important to be aware of financial aid requirements when planning your schedule. Federal loan require at least 1/2 time enrollment (5 credits). Please refer to the OHSU’s [“Financial Aid Explained”](#) and the [Standard Enrollment Plan](#), paying particular attention to summer term, for more information. Dual degree students should consult [PSU’s Office of Financial Aid](#) instead.

Year One		
Fall	Winter	Spring
ESHH 511 Cncpts Environ Hlth (3)	PHE 541 Media Adv. & Pub Hlth (3)	BSTA 525 Intro to Biostats (4)
PHE 512 Prin Hlth Bhvr (3)	EPI 512 Epidemiology I (4)	PHE 519 Intro to Etiology (3)
PHE 511 Fndtn Pub Hlth (3)	PHE 550 Program Planning (4)	HSMP 574 Hlth Sys Org (3)
		PHE 517 Community Organizing (3)
Year Two		
Fall	Winter	Spring
HSMP 588 Prog Eval & Mgmt Hlth Srvcs (3)	HSMP 573 Values & Ethics Hlth (3)	PHE 502IP Integrative Project (1)
PHE 520 Qual Rsrch Dsgn (3)	PHE 521 Quant Rsrch Dsgn/Analys (3)	PHE 504 Practice Experience (2-4) if not completed Winter
Electives (3)	PHE 504 Practice Experience (2-4)	Electives (3)
Interprofessional Experience (1)	Electives (3)	

Note: CPH Exam may be taken after core courses completed.



MPH HP / MSW Dual Degree Recommended Course Sequencing

Year One (15 MSW Credits; 23 MPH HP Credits)		
Fall	Winter	Spring
SW 539 Social Justice in Social Work (3) *	SW 520 Social Welfare History and Policy (3)	SW 532 Advocacy & Empowerment (3)
SW 541 Societal, Community and Org Structures and Processes (3)	SW 550 SW Research & Eval I (3)	BTSA 525 Intro to Biostatistics (4) [Meets SW 551 Research/Eval II req]
PHE 512 Principles of Health Behavior (3)	EPI 512 Epidemiology I (4)	PHE 517 Community Organizing (3)
PHE 511 Found of Pub Hlth (3)	PHE 541 Media Advocacy (3)	PHE 519 Etiology of Disease (3)
Year Two (21 MSW Credits; 19 MPH HP Credits)		
Fall	Winter	Spring
SW 530 Skills for the Helping Process – Indiv & Families I (3)	SW 531 SW Practice with Indiv & Families II (3)	SW 515 Skills for the Helping Process – Groups
SW 511 Field Placement & Sem (4)	SW 511 Field Placement & Sem (4)	SW 511 Field Placement & Sem (4)
ESHH 511 Concepts of Env Health (3)	PHE 550 Health Promotion Prog Planning (4)	HSMP 573 Values and Ethics (3)
PHE 520 Qual Research Design (3)	PHE 521 Quant Research Design (3)	HSMP 574 Health Systems Org (3)
Year Three (33 MSW Credits; 9 MPH HP Credits)		
Fall	Winter	Spring
SW 533 Advanced Clinical Practice I (3) or	SW 534 Advanced Clinical Practice II (3) or	SW 535 Advanced Clinical Practice III (3) or
SW 593 Practice and Leadership with Communities and Org I (3)	SW 594 Practice and Leadership with Communities and Org II (3)	SW 595 Practice and Leadership with Communities and Org III (3)
SW 512 Adv Field Placement (4)	SW 512 Adv Field Placement (4)	SW 512 Adv Field Placement (4)
MSW Elective (3)	MSW Elective (3)	MSW Elective (3)
HSMP 588 Program Eval & Mgmt	PHE 504 Practice Experience (4)	MSW Elective (3)
	Interprofessional Experience (1)	PHE 502IP Integrative Project (1)

* PSU graduates of the BSW or CYFS programs do not take SW 539. Those students replace SW 539 with an additional elective.

Note: CPH Exam can be taken after core courses completed



MPH HP / MURP Dual Degree Recommended Course Sequencing

Year 1 (25 MURP credits, 24 MPH credits)			
Fall	Winter	Spring	Summer
USP 540 History & Theory of Planning (4)	USP 541 Dynamics of Planning Practice (3)	USP 525 Design Anlys for Planning (2)	*HSMP 574 Health Systems Org (3) (this or next SUM)
USP 533 Planning Methods I (4) [Substitutes for PHE 521] **	USP 531 GIS for Planners (4) (or in spring)	USP 553 Legal Proc in Planning (1)	CPH exam can be taken after core courses done
PHE 511 Found of Public Health (3)	PHE 541 Media Advcy (3)	*BSTA 525 Intro to Biostats (4) [substitutes for USP 535]**	
*PHE 512 Principles of Health Behavior (3)	*EPI 512 Epidemiology I (4)	USP 531 GIS for Planners (4) (or WR)	
Year 2 (24 MURP credits, 19 MPH credits)			
Fall	Winter	Spring	Summer
USP 515 Econ Applctns to Urban Stds (4)	USP 558 Planning Workshop (3)	USP 558 Planning Workshop (6)	
USP 584 Negotiation Pub Sctr (4) (or in SUM)	PHE 550 Program Planning (4)	PHE 517 Community Organizing (3)	
USP 550 Participatory Planning (3)	PHE 521 Quantitative Research Design (3)	PHE 519 Etiology of Disease (3)	
USP 559 Internship Sem+ (1)	MURP/HP Elective (~3)		
*ESHH 511 Cncpts Environ Hlth (3)			
Year 3 (23 MURP credits; 17 MPH credits)			
Fall	Winter	Spring	Summer
HSMP 588 Prog Eval & Mgmt Hlth Srvcs (3)	PHE 504-PE MPH Practice Experience (4)	PHE 502 MPH Integrative Project (1)	** 6 credits of field experience – either 3 (w) + 3(s) or 0 (w) + 6 (s) or 6 (w) + 0 (s)
HSMP 573 Values & Ethics in Hlth (3)	MURP/HP electives (~9)	IPE Course (1)	
MURP/HP electives (~6)		MURP/HP electives (~9)	

* MPH core course offered in multiple terms. Check the year-long planning schedule on the SPH [Course Directory webpage](#) for specific terms offered.



Graduate Student Resources, Policies, and Procedures

[Policies and procedures](https://ohsu-psu-sph.org/graduate-students-policies-and-procedures/) applicable to all School of Public Health graduate students can be found on the SPH website at <https://ohsu-psu-sph.org/graduate-students-policies-and-procedures/>. Please review the student policies and procedures listed there, including but not limited to the following sections:

- Advising
- Academic Standing
- Academic Dismissal
- Academic Dishonesty
- Codes of Conduct
- Educational Records Privacy
- Minimum Course Grade Requirements
- Recognition of Prior Earned Credit
- Course Waiver Policy
- Incomplete Coursework
- Course Approvals (Electives)
- Independent Study
- International Travel and Coursework
- Continuous Enrollment
- Leave of Absence
- Withdrawal Policy
- Time Limits
- Grievance Resolution
- Degree and Certificate Conferral

[Academic resources](#) and [student support services](#) available to SPH graduate students are listed on the SPH website, www.ohsu-psu-sph.org. Please review the resources listed there.