

Public Health

Department Information

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- **Application Deadline:**
Early review begins November 15th rolling through May 31 or until full.
- **Credential Offered:**
MPH
- **Test Requirement:**
The GRE requirement is waived for the current admissions cycle.
- **English Proficiency Requirements:**
TOEFL iBT 90; IELTS 6.5

Program Description

Public health promotes and protects the health of people and the communities where they live, learn, work and play. It is both an art and a science and is practiced by multidisciplinary teams of professionals whose training spans a wide array of social, biological, and clinical sciences. Public health professionals conduct research to identify the causes of disease and disability, address social determinants of health through programs and policy, monitor the spread of disease, promote healthy lifestyles through education and community engagement, and implement clinical practice or health and social policy change.

Our program offers specializations in community health sciences and epidemiology as well as focused courses in management of infectious diseases and American Indian public health. The Master of Public Health (MPH) in Epidemiology is a science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) degree. This designated degree qualifies for purposes of the 24-month STEM optional practical training (OPT) extension.

The MPH degree consists of 42 credits and can be completed in two years as a full-time graduate student. In addition, there are options for accelerated bachelor's to master's plans of study as well as dual degree options. A variety of Graduate Certificates are also available.