Public Health

Department Information

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- **Application Deadline:**
  Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis for admission to fall, spring, or summer terms.
- **Credential Offered:**
  MPH
- **English Proficiency Requirements:**
  TOEFL ibT 90; IELTS 6.5; Duolingo 115

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 maternal and child health and management of infectious diseases. The Master of Public Health (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 for NDSU undergraduate students in Animal Sciences, Dietetics, Emergency Management, Health Services, Microbiological Sciences, and Psychology. Dual degree options and a variety of graduate certificates are also available.