

PUBLIC HEALTH SCIENCES

Undergraduate Program Information

The Bachelor in public health (BPH) degree prepares students for careers in community and public health. Graduates typically pursue employment in governmental agencies, as well as in voluntary, private, and other organizations. Upon completion of the degree, graduates are eligible to take the national Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) examination administered by the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, Inc. The Bachelor of Public Health program is fully accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH).

Students must attain a grade of C- or better in all required PHLS core coursework.

Failure to obtain a satisfactory grade of C- or better in any two PHLS courses could be grounds for dismissal from the program. Any student who receives two or more grades of D or F in required PHLS core courses must petition, in writing, to continue as a major.

Graduate Program Information

MPH

The Department of Public Health Sciences offers the Master of Public Health degree (MPH) in Health Behavior and Health Promotion concentration and Health Management, Administration, and Policy concentration. The Master's degree programs prepare public health professionals to function in a variety of settings, including health programs at the local, state, and federal government levels; profit and nonprofit organizations and agencies; worksite settings; and educational institutions. The MPH program is fully accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH).

Students may participate in either the full-time on-campus MPH program with HBHP concentration or either of the part-time (i.e., two courses/semester) online programs, including HBHP concentration or the HMAP concentration. All coursework for online degrees can be completed off-campus utilizing web-based technologies aimed at meeting the needs of working students and others for whom a campus-based program is not an option.

Admission to the MPH program is on a continuous (rolling) basis with two deadlines. The deadline for spring semester admission is November 15, and the deadline for fall admission is March 15.

HES PhD

The Department of Public Health Sciences offers a PhD in Health Equity Sciences (PhD) with concentrations in Socio-Cultural and Behavioral Sciences, Applied Biostatistics (Joint NMSU/UNM concentration), Health Administration and Policy, Health Across the Lifespan, Environmental and Occupational Health.

This doctoral program will provide graduates with comprehensive research training to prepare them for positions of leadership in state, federal, and global governmental and non-governmental agencies, public health and social justice organizations, healthcare provider organizations, and institutions of higher learning. Students will develop the skills and experience necessary to address growing and complex problems that underlie health and healthcare inequities, as well as emerging health threats.

Admission to the PhD occurs bi-annually on even years.

Admissions Requirements

MPH Admissions: <https://publichealth.nmsu.edu/graduate-program/welcome.html>

PhD Admissions: <https://publichealth.nmsu.edu/phd-in-health-equity-sciences/phd-admissions-requirements.html>

Applications are now completed online at <http://gradschool.nmsu.edu/>.

For more information, contact the respective Graduate Coordinator at tomaka@nmsu.edu (MPH) or tstimatz@nmsu.edu (PhD), or visit the website: publichealth.nmsu.edu (<https://publichealth.nmsu.edu>).