



Department of Public Health, Health Administration and Health Sciences

## Online Master of Public Health Degree

Accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH)



Tennessee State University Online Master of Public Health (MPH) Program in the College of Health Sciences prepares students to influence, change, and transform lives through a focus on health education and cultural competency. This program gives you the opportunity to effect change by developing skills in understanding health determinants; behavioral, social and cultural factors; environmental challenges; and political influences on community health. This degree allows you to step directly into a career after graduation. Courses are offered in both synchronous virtual and/or asynchronous online format. The program is designed for full-time and part-time students, including early and mid-career working professionals.

The Online MPH program with a Public Health Science concentration requires the completion of 42 credit hours and can be completed in two years for full-time students. The Public Health Science Concentration emphasizes traditional core competencies of public health to enable students to become more effective public health practitioners.

Students complete a total of 24 courses with eight (8) core courses, including a field placement and a capstone project; four (4) required concentration specific elective courses, and two (2) elective courses.

Applications are reviewed year-round. Refer to Admissions Deadlines.

Graduates from the Online MPH Program have found employment at places such as:

- Tennessee Department of Health
- The Tennessee Kidney Foundation
- Hospitals, such as Vanderbilt, HCA
- Veteran Affairs
- Non-profit Organizations
- Sarah Cannon Cancer Research Center
- CDC
- Long-term Care Facilities
- And many, many more



For additional information, please call **(615) 963-7367** or visit the department website at [http://www.tnstate.edu/phas/public\\_health.aspx](http://www.tnstate.edu/phas/public_health.aspx)

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Year 1					
Spring Semester	Credits	(Optional) Summer Semester	Credits	Fall Semester	Credits
PUBH 5010 Biostatistics	3	PUBH elective, (e.g., PUBH 5030 Grant Writing)	3	PUBH 5120 Behavioral Science & Public Health	3
PUBH 5110 Management & Public Health Policy	3	Elective or Concentration Course	3	PUBH 5100 Principles of Epidemiology	3
PUBH 5020 Environmental Health Science	3			PUBH 6030 Cultural Competency I	3
Candidacy/Program of Study Form due	May			Comp Exam Application Due	Sept.
<b>Total</b>	9	<b>Total</b>	0-6	<b>Total</b>	9
Year 2					
Spring Semester	Credits	(Optional) Summer Semester	Credits	Fall Semester	Credits
PUBH 6000 Field Placement	3	(PUBH 6000 Field Placement	3)	PUBH 6100 Capstone Project	3
PUBH 6070 Bioterrorism & Disaster Preparedness	3			PUBH 6160 Principles of Health Education	3
PUBH 6020 Health Communication	3			PUBH 6170 Program Development & Evaluation	3
(PUBH Elective	3)			(Elective or Concentration Course	3)
MPH Comp Exam	March			Apply for December Graduation in Banner	By Oct. 15th
<b>Total</b>	9-12	<b>Total</b>	0-3	<b>Total</b>	9-12
				<b>Program Total</b>	42

#### **MPH Admissions Criteria:**

1. Overall GPA at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale)
2. Official transcripts from all institutions attended, including TSU
3. Personal Statement
  - a. 500 – 1000 words
  - b. Interests and career goals
  - c. Why do you want an MPH?
4. Resume or CV
5. GRE, not required (TSU code: 1803)
6. Three (3) letters of recommendation
7. An interview with the MPH Admissions Committee may be necessary
8. Proof of immunization will be required, if admitted to the program

#### **For International Students:**

- Official transcripts and authorized school records with a course-by-course listing of courses and grades received, such transcripts must have been evaluated by a foreign educational credential agency at the student's expense
- TOEFL, IELTS, Duolingo (TSU code: 1803)
- Current, valid passport
- Documentation of financial resources
- Certificate of financial resources
- Certificate of Immunization
- More information can be found at the following website:  
<https://www.tnstate.edu/graduate/internationalstudentadmission.aspx>

#### **Deadlines:**

- Fall: April 1st
- Spring: November 1st

Applicants are encouraged to apply early! Graduate Assistantships are available but are competitive; application required.

For information about Financial Aid, please visit:

[https://www.tnstate.edu/financial\\_aid/](https://www.tnstate.edu/financial_aid/)

#### **Procedures for Admission:**

1. Begin the Graduate Admissions application at <http://go.tnstate.edu/inquiryform>.
2. The completion of the form will forward you to GradCAS (<https://gradcas.liaisoncas.org/apply/>) for completion of the electronic application.
  - a. Select one major from the list provided on the application form,
  - b. check the semester of enrollment, and
  - c. indicate the degree sought;
3. The completed application form requires a \$35.00 non-refundable fee to the Graduate School;
4. Request the registrar(s) of all colleges and universities attended (including Tennessee State University) to send one official transcript to the Graduate School;
5. Submit official copies of all test scores appropriate to the degree program to the Graduate School.

Information on tuition, fees, and residency can be found at:

<https://www.tnstate.edu/bursar/fees/asp>