

College of Public Health

The College of Public Health provides quality graduate and professional education for both public health practice professionals and research scientists. A multidisciplinary faculty prepares the students for public health practice in five core areas: biostatistics, epidemiology, health administration and policy, health promotion sciences and occupational and environmental health. An interdisciplinary degree program and a program in public health preparedness and terrorism response are also available. In addition, doctoral programs prepare public health research scientists in four core areas. The College of Public Health conducts classes at the OU Health Sciences Center in Oklahoma City and OU Schusterman Center in Tulsa.

An active research program greatly enhances the academic environment of the college. Studies in issues as varied as air quality, teen pregnancy prevention, cardiovascular disease prevention, obesity prevention, tobacco-use prevention and cessation are ongoing. The college also has major initiatives related to American Indian health.

The OU College of Public Health has strong working partnerships with state, national and international health agencies. Students have rich opportunities for both fieldwork experiences and multidisciplinary projects.

PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

The professional programs in the College of Public Health are designed to provide the public health workforce with academic preparation to carry out the mission of public health.

MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH (M.P.H.) The MPH degree is a professional degree designed to prepare practicing professionals in the field of public health. Specialization is available in Biostatistics, Epidemiology, Health Administration and Policy, Health Promotion Sciences, Environmental Health, Public Health Preparedness and Terrorism Response and Interdisciplinary Public Health. All MPH degree programs require a minimum of 44 credit hours and a practicum experience.

All degree programs can be completed in Oklahoma City. The Interdisciplinary program can be completed at OU Schusterman Center in Tulsa.

MASTER OF HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (M.H.A.) The Master of Health Administration prepares students to meet the responsibilities of senior level health service administrators or policy analysts. Available in Oklahoma City, the M.H.A. degree program requires 60 credit hours of coursework and an internship.

DOCTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH (Dr.P.H.) The DrPH program focuses on developing leadership, management and critical analytical skills with sufficient flexibility to accommodate discipline-specific interests of candidates. The overarching theme is the development of requisite competencies for a leadership role in public health.

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH The certificate curriculum consists of 15 hours of core courses. Coursework earned in the certificate program may be counted toward an M.P.H. degree if time and grade requirements are met.

GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Graduate degrees in public health disciplines include research experience and are preparation for a career in an academic or research setting.

MASTER OF SCIENCE (M.S.) AND DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (Ph.D.)

M.S. degree programs are offered in biostatistics, epidemiology, health promotion sciences and occupational and environmental health.

Ph.D. degree programs are offered in biostatistics, epidemiology, health promotion sciences and occupational and environmental health.



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WHAT do public health professionals do? **WHO** employs public health professionals? **WHAT** is the typical starting salary?

These salary ranges are the actual salaries earned (adjusted for inflation using the national CPI-Bureau of Labor Statistics) within one year of graduation as reported by the most recent nationwide survey of graduates conducted by Association of Schools Public Health:

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| • Health Services Administration \$37,050 - \$161,400 | • Health Education/Behavioral Science \$33,000 - \$86,625 |
| • Biostatistics \$33,000 - \$63,000 | • Environmental Health \$44,550 - \$143,700 |
| • Epidemiology \$38,175 - \$136,237 | |

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER

An internationally prominent faculty, state-of-the-art facilities and new technology combine to make the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center a leader in education, research and patient care. One of only four comprehensive academic health centers in the nation with seven professional schools, the OU Health Sciences Center services more than 4,000 students on the Oklahoma City and Tulsa campuses.

The OU Health Sciences Center serves as the state's training facility for physicians, biomedical scientists, nurses, dentists, pharmacists and a wide range of allied health and public health professionals. Located one mile south of the State Capitol, the OU Health Sciences Center is the cornerstone of the 300-acre Oklahoma Health Center, a complex of over 30 public and private health care institutions.

Students and residents receive clinical training at on-site institutions, including the OU Medical Center complex and the Veterans Affairs Medical Center. In addition, affiliate-training programs are maintained at hospitals and clinics throughout the state.

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