ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES (MIEH)

Graduate Degree Program
College: School of Public Health

Abstract

The MPH program within the Maryland Institute for Applied Environmental Health (https://sph.umd.edu/academics/units/miaeh), School of Public Health, prepares graduates to work in public health service as practitioners, researchers, administrators, and consultants. The mission of the MPH program with a concentration in Environmental Health Sciences is to promote the development of professional practitioners and researchers in environmental health who understand the science, theory and practice of public and environmental health, and can apply this knowledge toward the detection, management, and prevention of environmental health problems. There is a significant focus on health outcomes in populations of high vulnerability or those that are underserved, including those experiencing environmental injustice due to poverty or race. See our website (https://sph.umd.edu/academics/masters-degrees/epdm-environmental-health-sciences/) for more information.

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Courses: MIEH SPHL (https://umd-curr.courseleaf.com/graduate/courses/sphl/)

ADMISSIONS

The MPH in Environmental Health Sciences program has a two-part application process: applicants must submit the SOPHAS application (www.sophas.org (https://sophas.org/)), the centralized application service for schools and programs of public health, and the UMD Supplemental application (http://terpengage.force.com/community/CustomLoginPage?GradApp=True). Applications will not be reviewed until both the SOPHAS and UMD Supplemental applications are completed.

GENERAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

• A Bachelor’s degree
• Minimum 3.0 undergraduate GPA
• Transcripts from all previous coursework
• At least one undergraduate math course
• English proficiency test score (TOEFL, IELTS or PTE) (international applicants (https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/english-language-proficiency-requirements/))
• Statement of purpose and objectives including career and educational goals, professional experience, areas of interest, and faculty you are interested in working with

PROGRAM SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

• SOPHAS application (Step 1) & UMD Supplemental application (Step 2)
• Three letters of recommendation
• Resume or curriculum vitae
• Official GRE test scores submission is optional*
• Fit between applicant’s goals and expectations and program degree competencies
• A writing sample is optional, such as a published manuscript, undergraduate or graduate thesis, research paper. If you submit a published manuscript and you are not the first author, describe the contributions you made to the publication
• Applicants being considered for the program will be invited for a virtual interview via Zoom

*The review committee will evaluate GRE scores if they are submitted. The lack of scores will not negatively impact applications. If submitted, the program considers competitive scores to be 50th percentile or higher in each of the three parts.

Note: course work in environmental health or science, or public health/public policy, or biological/chemical sciences, or biochemistry, or biotechnology, or engineering, or geography/geology, or math, or biostatistics or epidemiology, or medical sciences, or anthropology, preferred.

Applicants with foreign credentials:

• The SOPHAS application requires that applicants submit a WES credential evaluation (https://help.liaisonedu.com/SOPHASApplicant_Help_Center/Sending_Your_Official_Transcripts_and_Test_Scores_to_SOPHAS/)
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• The UMD supplemental application requires the upload of unofficial transcripts issued in the original language with a literal English translation. Visit the Graduate School website for additional information (https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/international-admissions/)
• Evidence of English Language proficiency is required if the applicant does not hold a degree from a U.S. institution or from one of the English speaking countries listed on the Graduate School website (https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/english-language-proficiency-requirements/)
• MIEAH TOEFL scores requirements: 100 Overall score (Speaking, 24; Listening 25; Reading 26; Writing 25)

For detailed instructions on how to submit your application, please visit the School of Public Health Website: (https://sph.umd.edu/admissions/graduate-admissions/graduate-application-process)

Application Deadlines

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The priority deadline for both the SOPHAS and the UMD applications is December 16, 2022.

RESOURCES AND LINKS

Application Process: https://sph.umd.edu/admissions/graduate-admissions/graduate-application-process (https://sph.umd.edu/admissions/graduate-admissions/graduate-application-process/)
Admissions FAQ: https://sph.umd.edu/admissions/graduate-admissions/graduate-application-faqs (https://sph.umd.edu/admissions/graduate-admissions/graduate-application-faqs/)

REQUIREMENTS

• Environmental Health Sciences, Master of Public Health (M.P.H.) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/environmental-health-sciences-mieh/environmental-health-sciences-mph/)

FACILITIES AND SPECIAL RESOURCES

The proximity of the University of Maryland, College Park to the nation's capital offers prospective students unparalleled opportunities for internships and research experiences in public health, including placements at the National Institutes of Health, the CDC Washington Office, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Children's National Medical Center, the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, and many other national, state, and local health agencies. The diversity of cultural and socioeconomic groups, communities, industries, and health organizations provides a rich environment for learning, research, public policy analysis, and service.