

HEALTH CARE MANAGEMENT (HLCM)

Graduate Degree Program
College: Public Health

ABSTRACT

The Master of Public Health (MPH) degree with a concentration in Health Care Management offers students a rigorous, multidisciplinary program with courses in public health services administration, epidemiology, environmental health, biostatistics, health behaviors and determinants, health policy, health law and ethics, health economics and analysis, strategic management of human resources, health service information systems, financial management of health organizations, marketing for competitive health service, quality assessment and evaluation, and health care leadership and communications.

The 45-credit professional degree will prepare graduates to manage the many complex health-related organizations including hospitals, long-term care facilities, managed care organizations, rehabilitation agencies, public health clinics, state agencies, among others. With the impending retirement of the first wave of baby boomers, public health and health care organizations face large scale losses of middle and executive-level administrators.

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ADMISSIONS

The **Master of Public Health (MPH) degree with a concentration in Health Care Management (HLCM)** 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>). Both applications must be submitted, complete with all required documents and verified by the scheduled deadline (<https://sph.umd.edu/admissions/graduate-admissions/graduate-application-process/>). Applications will be reviewed when both the SOPHAS and the UMD Supplemental applications are completed and verified.

GENERAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- A Bachelor's degree
- Minimum 3.0 undergraduate GPA
- At least one undergraduate math course
- Transcripts from all previous coursework

- 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, public health areas of interest, and faculty you are interested in working with
- Response to personal experiences question(s)

PROGRAM SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

- SOPHAS application & UMD Supplemental application
- Three letters of recommendation
- Resume or curriculum vitae
- Fit between applicant's goals and expectations and program degree competencies
- Official GRE Test Score submission is not required. GRE scores won't be reviewed
- A writing sample is optional

Note for applicants with foreign credentials:

- The SOPHAS application requires that applicants submit a WES credential evaluation (https://help.liaisonedu.com/SOPHAS_Applicant_Help_Center/Sending_Your_Official_Transcripts_and_Test_Scores_to_SOPHAS/Sending_Official_Transcripts_to_SOPHAS/2_Foreign_and_French-Canadian_Transcripts/)
- 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/>)
- Language scores must be submitted both to SOPHAS and UMD supplemental application

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

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Type of Applicant	Fall Deadline
Domestic Applicants	
US Citizens and Permanent Residents	April 3, 2026
	The Fall priority deadline for both SOPHAS and UMD applications is December 19, 2025
International Applicants	
F (student) or J (exchange visitor) visas; A,E,G,H,I and L visas and immigrants	March 6, 2026

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RESOURCES AND LINKS

Program Website: sph.umd.edu/academics/masters-degrees/mph-master-public-health/mph-health-care-management (<https://sph.umd.edu/academics/masters-degrees/mph-master-public-health/mph-health-care-management/>)

Application Process: sph.umd.edu/graduate-application-process (<https://sph.umd.edu/admissions/graduate-admissions/graduate-application-process/>)

Admissions FAQ: sph.umd.edu/graduate-application-faqs (<https://sph.umd.edu/admissions/graduate-admissions/graduate-application-faqs/>)

REQUIREMENTS

- Health Care Management, Master of Public Health (M.P.H.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/health-care-management-hlcm/health-care-management-mph/>)