HEALTH EQUITY (HLEQ)

Graduate Degree Program
College: Public Health

Abstract

The Master of Public Health (MPH) degree with a concentration in Health Equity is a 45-credit interdisciplinary professional degree. It is a school wide program, currently administered by the Department of Health Services Administration.

The MPH program in Health Equity is designed to train students as public health scientists and practitioners who focus on racial justice, health disparities and in working towards achieving health equity.

To accommodate a variety of career pursuits, students have flexibility in designing their course structure. Once a foundational knowledge is acquired through the MPH program’s core requirements, students are encouraged to take electives across a range of disciplines. A large number of elective courses are available within the existing graduate curriculum across all departments in the School of Public Health as well as across other UMD colleges and DC area institutions. Students will be advised to work with SPH faculty for recommendations about how certain elective courses will best support particular career aspirations.

The curriculum is adaptable to both a full and part-time student status. Please see our website for updated information on the program https://sph.umd.edu/academics/masters-degrees/mph-master-public-health/mph-health-equity/ http://terpengage.force.com/community/CustomLoginPage/?GradApp=True

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Relationships: Health Administration (HLSA) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/health-administration-hlsa/) Health Policy Analysis and Evaluation (HPAE) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/health-policy-analysis-evaluation-hpae/) Health Services (PHHS) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/health-services-phhs/)


Courses: SPH (https://umd-curr.courseleaf.com/graduate/courses/sph/) HLSA (https://umd-curr.courseleaf.com/graduate/courses/hlsa/)

ACTIONS

The MPH in Health Equity 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 (https://terpengage.force.com/community/CustomLoginPage/?GradApp=True).

Both applications must be submitted and verified by the scheduled deadline (https://sph.umd.edu/admissions/graduate-admissions/graduate-application-process/). Applications will be reviewed when the SOPHAS and the UMD Supplemental applications are completed.

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, and areas of interest, and faculty you are interested in working with

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 waived for Fall 2023 admissions. 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/)
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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 along 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 submit your application, please visit the School of Public Health Website: https://sph.umd.edu/admissions/graduate-admissions/graduate-application-process (https://sph.umd.edu/admissions/graduate-admissions/graduate-application-process/).

Application Deadlines

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International Applicants

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