

Global Health & Health Disparities

Master of Public Health | Colorado State University



Increase the life expectancy of thousands across the globe

Globalization has changed the way that governments and nongovernmental organizations tackle challenging health issues like HIV/AIDS prevention, the spread of communicable diseases, malnutrition, the diabetes epidemic and access to basic medical care. At the Colorado School of Public Health you can pursue a Master of Public Health with a focus in **global health and health disparities**.

The program is located at our **Colorado State University** campus and is built upon the school's core public health curriculum with the addition of faculty expertise in the social, economic and cultural components of health and health disparities. Reducing the high rate of morbidity and mortality suffered by the poor will require focusing on interventions that can achieve the greatest improvement in health. This focus area is designed for students who intend to study, identify, and solve public health problems locally and globally.

Upon graduation, be prepared to assume leadership roles in a variety of public and private settings including but not limited to community health centers, community agencies, health departments, and NGOs. Work to increase the life expectancy of newborns and mothers and help lower the risk of infectious diseases in resource poor communities across the globe.

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Quick Facts

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Application Deadline

January 5, 2012
<http://publichealth.ucdenver.edu/admissions>

Transcending Borders

Confront health disparities between wealthy and resource poor countries; save lives through sustainable global health programs.



Concentration Competencies

:: Describe the role of social and community factors in both the onset and solution of public health problems.

:: Describe the roles of history, power, privilege and structural inequality in producing health disparities.

:: Describe how social, behavioral, environmental, and biological factors contribute to specific individual and community health outcomes.

:: Explain how the contexts of gender, race, poverty, history, migration and culture are important in the design of interventions within public health systems.

:: Analyze the impact of global trends and interdependencies on public health related problems and systems.

:: Incorporate strategies for interaction with persons of diverse backgrounds.

:: Consider the role of cultural, social, economic, and behavioral factors in the accessibility, availability, acceptability and delivery of public health services.

:: Respond to diverse needs that are the result of cultural differences (e.g. political, economic, religious).

:: Explain the dynamic forces that contribute to cultural diversity.

:: Assess the public health organization for its cultural competence.

Course requirements reflect those for the 2011-2012 entering class. Changes may occur for students entering in 2012-2013.

Course #	Course	Credits
Required MPH Core Credits		
PSCY 5161 & 5162	Public Health Practice	2
VSCS 6620	Biostatistics	3
ERHS 5320	Epidemiologic Methods	3
ERHS 5200	Environ. & Occup. Health Issues	3
HESC 5560	Wellness & Health Promotion	3
HSMP 6603 or CHBH 6250	Health Systems & Management at CU or UNC	3
Focus Area Core Credits		9 min.
PSCY 5170	Perspectives in Global Health	3
ANTP 5710	Anthropology and Global Health	3
ERHS 5100	Ethnicity, Race & Health Disparities	3
ERHS 5330	Epi. of Infectious Diseases/Zoonoses	3
FSHN 6400	Selected Topics in Nutritional Epi.	2
ANTP 5200	Women, Health & Culture	3
ANTP 5400	Medical Anthropology	3
PSCY 5150	Women's Health	3
ANTP 5450	Culture & Mental Health	3
ANTP 5470	Mind, Medicine and Culture	3
PUBH 6619	Perspectives in Intl. Health (CU)	3
CHBH 5100	Intl Health: Cross Cultural Comparisons (UNC)	3
Focus Area Electives*		6
General Electives*		6
Practice-Based Experience		
PSCY 6860	Practicum	2
ERHS 6980	Capstone Project	2
Total Program		42

* A complete list of elective courses is available online at www.publichealth.colostate.edu