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## **Master of Public Health**

# MAKE A DIFFERENCE: Earn a Master's Degree in Public Health

St. John's University's Public Health program is founded on the commitment to promote public health, with the goal of empowering individuals to work with both local and global communities to improve health, prevent disease, and protect the public.

The MPH degree prepares students to serve as leaders in public health, with the knowledge and experience to generate new ideas through research, to shape healthcare policy, and to best serve those in need.

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM**

St. John's University's Public Health program is centrally located in Queens, NY, which is one of the most culturally diverse counties in the United States. This unique location lends itself to extraordinary partnerships for students and faculty to gain hands-on, practical experience and explore public health research opportunities.

With a focus on Community Health, this program empowers students with the knowledge and skill-sets necessary to identify the multidimensional (behavioral, social, and cultural) factors that influence the health of individuals, communities, and populations. This is achieved through a competitive practical, theoretical, and evidenced-based course work that meets core public health competencies.

#### **DEGREE REQUIREMENTS**

St. John's University's Public Health program offers a Master of Public Health degree. There are 45 credits required to attain an MPH. Core courses include

- 18 credit hours that cover the core discipline areas of public health (i.e., biostatistics, environmental health sciences, epidemiology, health services administration, and social and behavioral sciences)
- nine credit hours of methods and evaluation courses
- 18 credit hours of concentration-specific, didactic courses, including Applied Practice Experience and Integrated Learning Experience

All classes are offered in the evening to accommodate the schedules of working professionals and recent graduates. The MPH degree can be completed full time in two years (which includes summer matriculation) or part time in up to five years.

#### **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

The field of public health takes an interdisciplinary approach and offers a variety of rewarding careers to suit many interests and skills. MPH graduates work in various positions in governmental agencies, pharmaceutical/biotech industries, foundations, community-based organizations, universities, research organizations, and other private industries. Exciting job opportunities include program planners, health researchers, public health advisors, health promotion coordinator, outreach specialist, and health educators.

#### **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

To apply for admission to the public health program, you must hold a bachelor's degree from a Council for Higher Education Accreditation regionally accredited college or university and have a minimum grade point average of 3.0.

Applicants must also submit

- official transcripts from all undergraduate institutions attended
- current résumé or curriculum vitae
- three letters of recommendation
- Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores\*
- personal statement (not to exceed 1,000 words)
- \* Official GRE scores may be waived for applicants who have a grade point average of at least 3.25 on a 4.0 scale and successfully passed college-level math/statistics or have professional work experience of five years or more.

### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS MAY APPLY TO INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

- International applicants are required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language exam or the International English Language Testing System.
- Transcripts from international universities must be accompanied by an evaluation from a National Association of Credential Evaluation Services-accredited evaluation source.
- For expedited foreign transcript evaluation service at a discounted rate, complete a SpanTran Foreign Transcript Evaluation Request Form. Download the PDF from the St. John's website, complete the form, and email it to **intake@spantran.com**.

For more information, visit the Office of International Student and Scholar Services at **www.stjohns.edu/admission/international-admission** or contact the office directly at **718-990-1601**; **gradhelp@stjohns.edu**.

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

For fall and spring admission, submit your application directly to the Office of Graduate Admission. To complete an application, visit https://grad.stjohns.edu/ apply/. Applications are accepted throughout the academic year; however, it is highly recommended that the application and supporting requirements be submitted to the Office of Graduate Admission at least eight weeks prior to the semester in which you want to begin the program of study. For more information on the admission process, visit the Office of Graduate Admission website at **www.stjohns.edu/admission/graduate-admission**.

#### **FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

You may be eligible to qualify for financial assistance. For more information, please visit **www.stjohns.edu/admission/tuition-and-financial-aid**.