The Executive Public Health Administration & Policy (Executive PHAP) MPH program is tailored to working public and population health professionals currently in or seeking leadership roles in government agencies, nonprofits, and other organizations that aim to improve the health of populations.

The program is targeted at early- and mid-career professionals who have at least three years of experience working in health or public health settings, and who are committed to managing organizations that improve public and population health.

Extraordinary education for early and mid-career public health professionals.

**PROGRAM FORMAT**

**42 CREDITS (35 ONLINE; 7 ON-CAMPUS)**

The Executive PHAP program is structured as a learning cohort model that blends online and on-campus coursework and can be completed in as little as 25 months. All students start the program together and progress through the same curriculum, providing opportunities to build your professional network as you study.

The on-campus commitment includes 5 visits that are each 3-4 days long and focus on leadership, management, and case studies in problem solving applied to real world examples.

**BENEFITS OF THE PROGRAM**

**Efficient.** Earn your MPH degree in as little as 25 months, with limited time on campus.

**Flexible.** Primarily online curriculum gives you the flexibility to complete your degree while you work.

**Exposure.** Cohorts include students with rich and diverse health professional experience, providing broader perspective and deep peer-to-peer learning.

**High ranking.** Degree from a top 10 school of public health.

**Accessible.** In-state tuition for all students regardless of the state of residency.

**Practical.** Focused on developing leadership, policy and data management skills.

**CAREER**

Executive PHAP graduates are well positioned to be leaders in public health. The focus on administration and policy provides knowledge and grows skills to meet the complex challenges facing public health professionals.

Executive PHAP graduates manage public health organizations at the local, state, federal, and international level in planning agencies, voluntary health organizations, mental health agencies, human services organizations, long-term care agencies, international health organizations, managed care plans, community clinics, and alternative health care delivery settings.

Our graduates share a strong dedication to preventing disease, promoting health, and serving defined populations.
CURRICULUM

Students complete at least 42 credits as follows:

- MPH core curriculum (14 credits)
- Executive PHAP core curriculum (18 credits)
- Field experience (2 credits)
- Master’s project (2 credits)
- Electives (6 credits)

All students complete a master’s project in an area of interest related to public health. Students are encouraged to choose projects at their place of employment. In addition, students do a field experience if they have not previously worked in government- or community-based population health agencies.

Students complete electives through a broad range of opportunities to suit their individual learning goals, including current online offerings and courses at the SPH Public Health Institute, offered each spring.

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

- Undergraduate GPA of at least 3.0 or completion of a post-graduate degree.
- Resume or curriculum vitae (CV) showing at least three years of health or public health experience.
- Three letters of recommendation from persons qualified to assess your academic work, clinical or public health experience, and leadership potential in public health.
- Statement of purpose and objectives describing your past education, professional health and/or public health experience, and current or future professional career objectives (1,000 words).

The Executive PHAP program does not require the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) as part of the admissions process.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

November 15 to start the following January.

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EXPERT FACULTY

Our cutting-edge curriculum is created by expert School of Public Health faculty (two profiled below) in partnership with our Community Advisory Board and our alumni.

Pinar Karaca-Mandic focuses on health insurance benefit design, healthcare regulations, insurance markets, pharmaceutical use, and medical technology diffusion. She is the recipient of a K01 career grant from the National Institutes of Health through which she has been studying physician medical technology adoption.

Katy Kozhimannil is dedicated to improving the lives of reproductive age women and their children, a group that has been largely underserved in health policy and health services research. By focusing on the time before, during, and after childbirth, her research helps guide policymakers on the development, implementation, and evaluation of policies that enhance outcomes.