

PUBLIC HEALTH ADMINISTRATION & POLICY



The Public Health Administration & Policy (PHAP) MPH program provides core knowledge about managing organizations and influencing policy to improve population health. The curriculum emphasizes the skills necessary for population-focused administration, policy development, and evidence-based public health. Graduates work in health-oriented government agencies, community non-profits, and for-profit organizations that seek to improve the health of populations.

Become a leader and innovator in public health management, analysis, and policy.

PROGRAM FORMAT

44 CREDITS

The Public Health Administration & Policy (PHAP) MPH program is a full-time two year program that focuses on building skills in policy development and advocacy; project, program, and organization management; and data analysis and management.

The curriculum is composed of MPH core courses, PHAP core courses, and electives. All of the core courses and many of the electives are offered online and in-person to suit individual learning styles and schedules.

The Division of Health Policy & Management, PHAP program's academic division, is home to several national research centers and includes expertise in health equity, aging, rural health, and state and federal level health data analysis.

BENEFITS OF THE PROGRAM

Connected. The PHAP program has relationships with numerous national, state, and local public and private health organizations, creating opportunities for our students.

Current. Faculty conduct cutting-edge research and help shape health and health care policy at all levels.

High ranking. UMN SPH is one of the top 10 schools of public health in the country.

Support. Students get individualized academic, professional, and career advising from faculty and staff.

Networking. More than 10,000 alumni support students through mentorships, field experiences, career networking, and employment opportunities.

Real world. Our Community Advisory Board helps us stay connected to what is really going on in the workplace.

ADDITIONAL DEGREE OFFERINGS

- MPH, Executive PHAP
- MPH, Hosted at Arizona State University (degree granted by UMN)
- MPH/JD, Law School
- MPH/JD, Mitchell Hamline School of Law

CAREERS

PHAP graduates work in traditional public health agencies at the local, state, federal, and international levels, as well as at for-profit companies and nonprofit organizations. Recent federal mandates have broadened opportunities for graduates to work with hospital and health care organizations to expand their population health focus, through data analysis, community engagement, and policy making.

POSITIONS HELD BY GRADUATES OF THE PHAP PROGRAM

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of MN Center for Prevention
Health Improvement Project Manager - Health Equity

Minnesota Department of Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Division
Healthcare System Preparedness Planner

Collective Action Lab
Project Manager/Communication Lead

Wilder Research
Research Associate

Medica
Public Policy Coordinator

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

- Official transcripts
- Official standardized test scores (GRE, DAT, GMAT, LSAT, MCAT, or PCAT)
- Resume or curriculum vitae (CV)
- Three letters of recommendation
- Statement of purpose and objectives

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Scholarship priority deadline: **December 1**
Final deadline: **April 1**

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EXPERT FACULTY

PHAP students engage with School of Public Health faculty (two profiled below) who are deeply involved in current policy-making and research.



Assistant Professor **Tetyana Shippee** looks closely at what creates and sustains quality of life in nursing homes. Her research on racial disparities for nursing home residents is breaking new ground and revealing surprising demographic changes.



Associate Professor **Sarah Gollust** analyzes geographic variations in media messaging about the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Her research assessing public response to media contributes to social science theory on the psychology of media effects, and informs policymakers and enrollment advocates about what types of messages shape public opinion and insurance enrollment.

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