

The 2-year curriculum for the MPH in Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health (MCAH) is offered to post-baccalaureate students who seek **competency in MCAH data analysis and research skills**. It requires completion of a quantitative capstone research project that fulfills the comprehensive examination requirement for the School of Public Health and a 3-month supervised summer internship.

The 2-year curriculum is a full-time course of study, requiring a minimum of 48 units of coursework over four academic semesters and one summer (12 units required per semester). Courses on preparation for teaching as a GSI (375 series courses) and lower-division undergraduate courses do not count toward the 48 overall units.

NOTE: Modifications in program requirements and course offerings may occur from year to year.

All courses have a PB HLTH prefix.

SCHOOL-WIDE REQUIRED COURSES			
fall	142	Introduction to Biostatistics	4 units
	200J	Health Policy & Management Breadth	2 units
	200L	Health & Social Behavior Breadth	2 units
	250A	Epidemiologic Methods I*	3 units
	297	Public Health Field Placement	3 units
spring	200K	Environmental Health Sciences Breadth	2 units
MCAH REQUIRED COURSES			
fall	210	Foundations of MCH Policy, Practice & Science	3 units
	210E	Practicum in MCH Data Analysis I (capstone seminar)	3 units
	292.10	Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health Journal Club	2 units
spring	TBD	Foundations of Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health Leadership	2 units
	210F	Practicum in MCH Data Analysis II	4 units
	299	Independent Research	1+ units
METHODS OF MEASUREMENT AND ANALYSIS (at least one of the following)			
fall	TBD	TBD- Statistical/Data Analysis Course	4 units
	245	Introduction to Multivariate Statistics	4 units
spring	241	Statistical Analysis of Categorical Data	4 units

APPLIED PROGRAMMATIC SKILLS (at least one of the following)			
fall	218B	Evaluation of Health and Social Programs	4 units
spring	205	Needs Assessment & Program Planning	4 units
HIGHLY RECOMMENDED ELECTIVES			
fall	212A	International MCH	2 units
	213A	Family Planning, Population Change, & Health	3 units
spring	210B	Adolescent Health	3 units
	210D	Reproductive & Perinatal Epidemiology**	2 units

*This requirement may also be fulfilled by passing an exemption exam or by completing an approved higher-level alternative course. Alternatives should be discussed with the MCAH Assistant Director.

**Offered in odd years.

RECOMMENDED COURSE SEQUENCE

48 units are required to earn the MPH degree. The first Fall semester is pre-scripted with required courses. All other semesters offer students the opportunity to take electives specific to their areas of interest. Students should plan to meet regularly with their faculty advisor and the MCAH Program Assistant Director to discuss course options and to ensure that they are on-track to complete their degree.

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FIRST YEAR--Fall 16 units, Spring 14+ units			
fall	142	Introduction to Biostatistics	4 units
	200J	Health Policy and Management Breadth	2 units
	200L	Health and Social Behavior Breadth	2 units
	250A	Epidemiologic Methods I	3 units
	210	Foundations of MCH Policy, Practice & Science	3 units
	292.10	Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health Journal Club	2 units
spring	200K	Environmental Health Sciences Breadth	2 units
	205	Needs Assessment & Program Planning	4 units
	241	Statistical Analysis of Categorical Data	4 units
	TBD	Foundations of Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health Leadership	2 units
	choice	Elective Courses	3+ units
SECOND YEAR--Fall 14-16 units, Spring 14+ units			
fall	210E	Practicum in MCH Data Analysis I	3 units
	218B	Evaluation of Health and Social Programs	4 units
	TBD	TBD- Statistical/Data Analysis Course	4 units
	297	Public Health Field Placement	3 units
	choice	Elective Courses	2+ units
spring	210F	Practicum in MCH Data Analysis II	3 units
	299	Independent Study	1+ units
	choice	Elective Courses	8+ units

MINIMUM UNIT REQUIREMENT

The Graduate Council requires that all graduate students be enrolled in a minimum of 12 units per semester regardless of their employment status. This is especially important for students receiving Block grant and other campus fellowships/awards; the campus will rescind their award for under enrollment/non-compliance if this unit requirement is not followed.

MINIMUM GRADE

BREADTH REQUIREMENT

MPH students are required to attain a B- or better in Breadth Course Requirements (Epidemiology PH 250A; Biostatistics PH 142; Health Policy & Management 200J; Environmental Health PH 200K; Health and Social Behavior PH 200L). Students attaining less than a B- will be required to retake the course. To receive the MPH degree, the student must also meet the Good Academic Standing Rule, i.e. average overall GPA is a B average (3.0).