



FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES



MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH

A NEW LEVEL OF MASTERY OF PUBLIC HEALTH AT THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF BEIRUT-LEBANON

The Masters in Public Health (MPH) program at the Faculty of Health Sciences, American University of Beirut (AUB) – founded in 1954 – is a newly revised professional degree that provides students with interdisciplinary Public Health education emphasizing regional and global public health issues.

The MPH is part of the Graduate Public Health Program (GPHP), the first public health program to be accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH) outside the Americas and is one of only 8 international programs.

Students choose specialized training in an area of concentration and engage in relevant community-based experiences in public health practice. They have opportunities to interact with centers in research, knowledge translation and public health outreach. Our program hosts diverse international students over the world, with a variety of previous degrees. Our graduates come from the program to work in leading public health, health care and other organizations in diverse settings.

The program train students on the traditional public health core knowledge areas (biostatistics, epidemiology, social and behavioral sciences, health services administration and environmental health sciences), while ensuring the cross-cutting and emerging public health areas including: evidence-based approaches, public health & health care systems, planning & management to promote health, policy in public health, leadership, communication, inter-professional practice (with medicine and nursing) and systems thinking. Courses address issues pertaining to public health in conflict and humanitarian crises and for interested students, there are opportunities to pursue a certificate within the MPH on these themes.

Concentrations

» **Health Management and Policy**

The Health Management and Policy Department (HMPD) advances the field of health systems, policy and management through excellence in education, research and practice that is relevant to Lebanon and the Global South. HMPD prepares students and learners to become leaders and influencers in health care organizations and systems. The multidisciplinary curriculum at HMPD allows students to gain conceptual, analytical and practical skills in health management, health policy and decision-making, strategic planning, human resources management, performance improvement, health information systems, budgeting, program and policy evaluation and knowledge translation.

» **Epidemiology and Biostatistics**

Students concentrating in Epidemiology and Biostatistics (EPBS) gain an in-depth understanding of concepts and methods of EPBS that are applied to community and facility-based health issues. Students are prepared to become proficient in the design, conduct, analysis, interpretation, and evaluation of epidemiologic research and in the management and analysis of routing health data sources.

» **Health Promotion and Community Health**

Students concentrating in Health Promotion and Community Health (HPCH) acquire a broad understanding of the impact of social determinants on individual, community, and population health. Through the program, they learn to use participatory approaches in the design, implementation, and evaluation of health promotion programs. HPCH is a multidisciplinary field and prepares students for employment in diverse settings in private, governmental, and non-governmental organizational settings.

Curriculum and Credit Requirements

The MPH program is comprised of four required components totaling 42 credits.

- » Core courses: 23 credits which emphasize foundational public health competencies.
- » Concentration courses: 10-11 credits which provide students with specialization in a chosen discipline of public health.
- » Elective courses: 3-4 credits which enable students to select topics of particular interest.
- » Public health experience courses: 5 credits which consist of a practicum, and an Integrative Learning Experience.

Duration

Students enrolled on a full-time basis generally need a minimum of 2 years to complete their degree.

Students enrolled on a part-time basis are allowed up to four years to complete their degree.

Job Opportunities

Graduates of the MPH program may assume positions in a variety of settings such as community-based organizations, regional and international agencies, schools, universities, health care institutions, and consulting agencies.



Admission Requirements

An applicant is considered for admission to the MPH program if she/he has a good academic record in her/his university education (undergraduate and/or graduate) and has demonstrated proficiency in English by achieving the minimum required score on: either the University English Entrance Exam (EEE), TOEFL, or IELTS examination, as defined by the AUB University Graduate Catalogue. NO GRE is required.

For more information on admission requirements, visit the AUB online catalogue for graduate students at: www.aub.edu.lb/registrar

Financial Aid

Opportunities for financial aid are available for qualified graduate students at FHS in the form of Graduate Fellowship and Assistantships Programs, and Graduate Scholarships.

Graduate Fellowship and Assistantship Program (GFAP)

GFAP covers partial or full time tuition of the student in return for a specified number of work hours per week. Recipients are selected on the basis of their academic record, departmental needs, and available funds. The application for GFAP can be found under the “Financial Aid” section of the online application.

FHS Graduate Scholarships

Various scholarships are available for students interested in the MPH program at the FHS. The application for any of the FHS graduate scholarships can be found under the “Financial Aid” section of the online application. For more information on scholarship opportunities and the application process, visit the Graduate Scholarships webpage at:

www.aub.edu.lb/fhs

Apply Online:

You can access the Online Graduate Admission Application with current application deadlines at: **www.aub.edu.lb/graduatecouncil**



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