

# PUBLIC HEALTH: DOCTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH (DRPH)

## Overview

The Doctor of Public Health (DrPH) program is a professional doctoral-level program designed to develop public health leaders: researchers, policy-makers, and practitioners who are able to address complex public health issues. As a DrPH student, you'll combine sophisticated analytic and research skills with a broad understanding of the environmental, political, social, medical, ethical, and economic factors that contribute to health and well-being.

Our students are trained in leadership, management, and advocacy. As part of the DrPH program, you'll develop strong research and practice skills in a main focus area of public health.

## Community & Behavioral Health

This program is designed to help you become a public health leader. You'll learn how to develop, implement, and evaluate evidence-based programs that contribute to community health and wellness. In addition to taking courses that cover research methods and advanced public health theory and practice, you'll also learn about leadership, management, and grant writing. Areas of specialization include (but are not limited to): community-based participatory research, health equity, program design and evaluation, American Indian and Alaska Native health, mHealth strategies, and mental health. Faculty in our department study everything from adverse childhood experiences to nutrition to school-based interventions, which means you can find the faculty mentor (<https://coloradosph.cuanschutz.edu/education/departments/community-behavioral-health/directory/>) who's right for you.

Upon entering the DrPH program, students will have three years to pass the written qualifying exam and should complete the dissertation and public defense of the dissertation within seven years of entering the program.

Each student, in consultation with their faculty advisor, will develop a proposed course of study. The course of study must specify courses to be taken, and proposed timeline for courses, practicum, preliminary and comprehensive exams, and dissertation.

## Curriculum

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required DrPH Courses (16 credits)</b>		
PUBH 6842	DrPH Seminar (1 credit hour semesters, first 4 semesters of tenure)	4
CBHS 7020	DrPH Seminar in Leadership	3
EPID 7912	Developing a Research Grant	3
HSMP 7603	Advanced Public Health Strategic Planning and Management: Theory and Practice	3
EHOH 7405	Advanced Communication Skills for Public Health Impact	3
<b>Required Community &amp; Behavioral Health Courses (12 credits)</b>		
CBHS 7010	Latent Variable Methods	3
CBHS 7637	Doctoral Advanced Quantitative Analysis for Community Health Sciences	3
CBHS 7638	Advanced Qualitative Research Methods	3

CBHS 7670	CBH Advanced Seminar	3
<b>Selective Courses (12 credits - at least 5 credits are required to be at the doctoral level)</b>		
<b>Directed Reading (2 credits)</b>		
CBHS 7030	DrPH Directed Reading	1-2
<b>DrPH Practicum (4 credits)</b>		
PUBH 6850	DrPH Practicum	2-4
<b>Dissertation (9 credits)</b>		
CBHS 8991	DrPH Dissertation - Community & Behavioral Health	1-10
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>55</b>

## Environmental & Occupational Health

This program is designed to help you become a public health leader. As a student in this program, you'll learn how to identify, evaluate, and control environmental and occupational stressors. You'll take courses in field investigations, Geographic Information Systems, biostatistics, leadership and management, and proposal writing. In addition to required coursework, you can focus your electives on an area of specialization such as environmental justice, toxicology, risk assessment, climate and health, and occupational health and safety. This broad range of topics means you can find the area of study and faculty mentor (<https://coloradosph.cuanschutz.edu/education/departments/environmental-occupational-health/directory/>) that's right for you.

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HSMP 7603	Advanced Public Health Strategic Planning and Management: Theory and Practice	3
EHOH 7405	Advanced Communication Skills for Public Health Impact	3
<b>Required Environmental &amp; Occupational Health Courses (12 credits)</b>		
EHOH 7631	Advanced Methods in Environmental & Occupational Health	3
EHOH 7632	Advanced Field Methods in EOH	1
EHOH 7403	Research Methods: Climate, Disaster and Humanitarian Perspectives	3
BIOS 6611	Biostatistical Methods I	3
BIOS 6612	Biostatistical Methods II	3
<b>Selective Courses (11 credits)</b>		<b>11</b>
<b>Directed Reading (2 credits)</b>		
EHOH 7030	DrPH Directed Reading	1-2

<b>DrPH Practicum (4 credits)</b>		
PUBH 6850	DrPH Practicum	2-4
<b>Dissertation (9 credits)</b>		
EHOH 8991	DrPH Dissertation-Environmental & Occupational Health	1-10
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>55</b>

## Epidemiology

This program is designed to help you become a public health leader. In this program, you'll learn how to identify factors that affect the health of populations and how to create, implement, and evaluate disease control and prevention strategies. In addition to taking courses in advanced research methods and a minor area of your choosing, you'll also learn about leadership, management, and grant writing. Areas of specialization range from health data and information systems to chronic disease prevention. And our faculty (<https://coloradosph.cuanschutz.edu/education/departments/epidemiology/directory/>) are studying everything from food safety, to diabetes, to gene-environment interactions, which means you can find the mentor who's right for you.

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EPID 7912	Developing a Research Grant	3
HSMP 7603	Advanced Public Health Strategic Planning and Management: Theory and Practice	3
EHOH 7405	Advanced Communication Skills for Public Health Impact	3
<b>Required Epidemiology Courses (12 credits)</b>		
EPID 7631	Advanced Epidemiology 1	3
EPID 7632	Advanced Epidemiology 2	3
EPID 7605	Research Methods with Secondary Data Sources	3
BIOS 6611	Biostatistical Methods I	3
BIOS 6612	Biostatistical Methods II	3
<b>Selective Courses (9 credits)</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Directed Reading (2 credits)</b>		
EPID 7030	DrPH Directed Reading	1-2
<b>DrPH Practicum (4 credits)</b>		
PUBH 6850	DrPH Practicum	2-4
<b>Dissertation (9 credits)</b>		
EPID 8991	DrPH Dissertation work in Epidemiology	1-10
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>55</b>