

PUBLIC HEALTH, POST-BACCALAUREATE CERTIFICATE

Saint Louis University's 12-credit post-baccalaureate certificate in public health trains students to be competent in core public health topic areas such as epidemiology, biostatistics, policy and program planning. Most coursework for the SLU certificate is available both online and in-person, offering flexibility to students already in the workplace.

This certificate is designed for students who are existing professionals or clinicians-in-training in nursing, medicine, dentistry, physical therapy, occupational therapy, social work and more. Adding this public health knowledge will help professionals integrate social determinants of health into their practice and approach systems change at individual, interpersonal, organizational, community and policy levels.

Curriculum Overview

SLU's post-baccalaureate certificate in public health is completed with four courses totaling 12 credit hours. Coursework from this program can apply toward an M.P.H. degree at SLU (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/public-health-social-justice/graduate-programs/public-health-mph/>) in any concentration within two years of completing the certificate.

Careers

Students awarded this certificate will be prepared to pursue or advance in positions such as health educator, nonprofit program coordinator, health services manager, community health worker or public health researcher. Completion of the certificate in public health can also be an important career tool and credential for professionals of other fields that intersect with public health, including social workers, hospital administrators, urban planners and clinicians such as physicians and nurses.

Admission Requirements

Applicants should have a bachelor's degree, preferably with a minimum 3.00 grade point average. Applications are reviewed on a holistic and rolling basis. To apply, applicants will need to submit their transcripts, CV, personal statement, and two letters of recommendation through SOPHAS Express (<https://sophasexpress.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/deeplink/programSearch/organization/5077527303125433344>), the common application system for public health schools and programs.

Tuition

Tuition	Cost Per Credit
Graduate Tuition	\$1,450

Additional charges may apply. Other resources are listed below:

Information on Tuition and Fees (<https://catalog.slu.edu/academic-policies/student-financial-services/tuition/>)

Miscellaneous Fees (<https://catalog.slu.edu/academic-policies/student-financial-services/fees/>)

Information on Summer Tuition (<https://catalog.slu.edu/academic-policies/student-financial-services/tuition-summer-current/>)

Accreditation

Saint Louis University's College for Public Health and Social Justice is fully accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH). To see our most recent accreditation documentation, please visit the College for Public Health and Social Justice website (<https://www.slu.edu/public-health-social-justice/about/accreditation.php>). (<https://www.slu.edu/public-health-social-justice/about/accreditation.php>)

Learning Outcomes

1. Graduates will be able to select quantitative and qualitative data collection methods appropriate for a given public health context.
2. Graduates will be able to interpret results of data analysis for public health research, policy or practice.
3. Graduates will be able to discuss how structural bias, social inequities and racism undermine health and create challenges to achieving health equity at organizational, community and societal levels.
4. Graduates will be able to design a population-based policy, program, project or intervention.
5. Graduates will be able to communicate audience-appropriate public health content, both in writing and through oral presentation.

Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
PUBH 5030	Methodological Approaches to Understanding Population Health	3
PUBH 5040	Generating Evidence from Public Health Data	3
PUBH 5050	Health Care Across the Life Course: From Policy to Practice	3
PUBH 5070	Translating Evidence and Theory for Community Practice	3
Total Credits		12

Continuation Standards

Students must maintain a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 in all graduate/professional courses.

Roadmap

This roadmap is just one example of a semester-by-semester plan of study for this program. There are other plans students can and do take. The plan of study for each particular student is established in consultation with each student's academic advisor; *this roadmap does not replace academic advising appointments.*

Roadmap notes:

- This Roadmap assumes full-time enrollment unless otherwise noted.
- Courses/Milestones marked with an "!" are critical and must be completed in the semester listed in the Roadmap to ensure a timely graduation.
- Course availability and sequencing are subject to change.

Course	Title	Credits
Year One		
Fall		
PUBH 5030	Methodological Approaches to Understanding Population Health	3
PUBH 5040	Generating Evidence from Public Health Data	3
Credits		6
Spring		
PUBH 5050	Health Care Across the Life Course: From Policy to Practice	3
PUBH 5070	Translating Evidence and Theory for Community Practice	3
Credits		6
Total Credits		12

Contact Us

Apply for Admission (<https://sophas.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/deeplink/programSearch/organization/6425937835738032128>)

For questions about applying to one of our graduate programs, contact the College for Public Health and Social Justice admissions via cphsjgrad@slu.edu.