

COMMUNITY HEALTH SCIENCES, M.P.H.

Community Health Sciences

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Community Health Sciences Program Information

CHS offers broad, multidisciplinary graduate training at the Master and Doctoral levels in the concepts and methods of the population-based health sciences and their application in the practice of public health and preventive medicine.

The Doctoral program is designed to produce individuals who will teach in the community health sciences, train other researchers, design and execute major research projects, and serve as senior advisors and consultants in the area of health care policy and planning.

In contrast, our two Master's programs, the Master of Science and Master of Public Health degrees, are intended to satisfy the demand of local, regional, provincial and federal health departments for trained community health professionals. The M.Sc. program has a research focus requiring completion of a thesis while the M.P.H. program has a field-placement integrating applied public health concepts.

Admission Information

Admission to the Faculty of Graduate Studies

Application and Admission Procedures are found in the Academic Guide (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/academic-guide/application-admission-registration-policies/>).

Admission requirements for Master's students are found in the Master's Degrees General Regulations (https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/academic-guide/masters-degrees-general-regulations/#Admission_FGSMasters) section of the Guide.

Community Health Sciences M.P.H. Admission Requirements

The M.P.H. program is open to individuals with four-year degrees in the health sciences or allied health professions or with honours degrees in the biological or social sciences, and a minimum of three years experience working in a field of health.

Please note that Community Health Sciences requires English Language Proficiency test scores (<https://umanitoba.ca/explore/programs-of-study/community-health-sciences-mph/#admission-requirements>) above the FGS minimum requirement.

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Application Information

Students should complete and submit their online application with supporting documentation by the date indicated on the Community Health Sciences M.P.H. program of study (<https://umanitoba.ca/explore/programs-of-study/community-health-sciences-mph/>) page.

Degree Requirements

The M.P.H. program consists of 30 credit hours from 7000-level core and elective courses. Following course work completion the student may select one of two routes as part of this program of study, by completing either a zero component supervised field placement or capstone research project. The majority of students will only be eligible for the field placement. Students with extensive prior public health experience may be eligible for the capstone research project.

Expected Time to Graduate: 2 years full-time, 4 years part-time

Progression Chart

Course	Title	Hours
Year 1		
GRAD 7300	Research Integrity Tutorial	0
GRAD 7500	Academic Integrity Tutorial	0
CHSC 7500	Conc. Public Health	3
CHSC 7502	Core Concepts in Public Health 2	3
CHSC 7520	Principles of Epidemiology	3
CHSC 7530	Applied Public Health Epidemiology	3
CHSC 7632	Evaluation of Family, Health and Social Development Programs	3
CHSC 7820 or CHSC 7810	Biostatistics for Community Health Sciences ¹ or Biostatistics for the Health and Human Sciences	3
CHSC 7XXX	One Approved Elective Course designated as 7000 level offered by Community Health Sciences ²	3
Hours		21
Year 2		
CHSC 7XXX	Three Approved Elective Courses designated as 7000 level offered by Community Health Sciences ²	9
CHSC 7580 or CHSC 7590	Public Health Field Placement or Capstone Research Project in Public Health	0
Hours		9
Total Hours		30

¹ Since an undergraduate level course in Statistics is a prerequisite for CHSC 7820, all students must have completed such a course at time of admission, or additional statistical training will be required.

² On the recommendation of the student's advisor and with the approval of the Director of the Community Health Sciences Graduate Program elective courses for the Master of Public Health program may be taken in other departments.

Registration Information

Students should familiarize themselves with the Faculty of Graduate Studies 'GRAD' courses applicable to their program (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/registration-information/>). If you have questions about which GRAD course(s) to register in, please consult your home department/unit.

Prior to registration, all new and returning students must meet with their advisor to determine their program of study. Part of the process prior to registration may include obtaining permission from the relevant course instructor (see course catalog or CHS website course offerings for courses needing instructor permission). All course additions and withdrawals must have prior advisor approval. Students should register themselves via Aurora Student on the University of Manitoba website. If students encounter difficulties with registration they may contact the Community Health Sciences Graduate Program office for assistance.

It should be noted that not all courses are offered each year and some courses will be held with a minimum enrolment. Please check Aurora class schedule for a list of current course offerings.

- meet the minimum and not exceed the maximum course requirements, and
- meet the minimum and not exceed the maximum time requirements (in terms of time in program and lapse or expiration of credit of courses).

Regulations

Students must meet the requirements as outlined in both Supplementary Regulation and BFAR documents as approved by Senate.

Supplementary Regulations

Individual units may require specific requirements above and beyond those of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, and students should consult unit supplementary regulations (<https://umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/supplementary-regulations/>) for these specific regulations.

Bona Fide Academic Requirements (BFAR)

Bona Fide Academic Requirements (BFAR) (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/academic-guide/academic-performance-general/#BFAR>) represent the core academic requirements a graduate student must acquire in order to gain, and demonstrate acquisition of, essential knowledge and skills.

All students must successfully complete:

- GRAD 7300 prior to applying to any ethics boards which are appropriate to the student's research or within the student's first year, whichever comes first; and
- GRAD 7500 within the first term of registration;

unless these courses have been completed previously, as per Mandatory Academic Integrity Course (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/academic-guide/academic-performance-general/#GRAD7500>) and Mandatory Research Integrity Online Course (<https://catalog.umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/academic-guide/academic-performance-general/#GRAD7300>).

Students must also meet additional BFAR requirements (<https://umanitoba.ca/graduate-studies/student-experience/core-academic-requirements/#additional-requirements-by-program>) that may be specified for their program.

General Regulations

All students must:

- maintain a minimum degree grade point average of 3.0 with no grade below C+;