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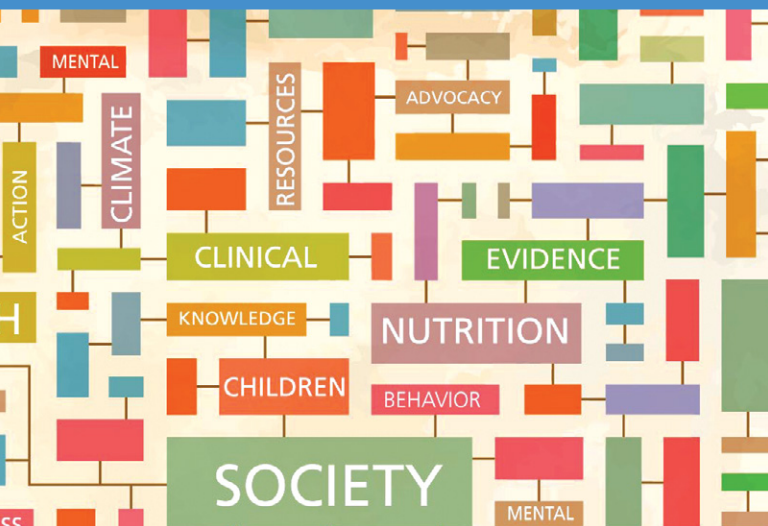
The fields of public health and health care are at a critical juncture. The need to improve the public's health, reduce health care costs, and counteract a significant public health workforce shortage has created an urgent demand for professionals with formal training in public health.

Penn State's Graduate Certificate in Public Health, delivered online through Penn State World Campus, is designed to help you make a difference in public health. Through foundational, graduate-level course work, you can build knowledge and skills to help promote, protect, and improve the health of populations and communities throughout the world.

The Public Health Graduate Certificate focuses on four key areas of public health:

- biostatistics
- epidemiology
- health services administration
- social and behavioral sciences

Whether you work outside of public health, are new to the field, or have worked in the field for years but without formal public health training, this Graduate Certificate in Public Health can help advance your expertise in solving public health problems.



As an added benefit, the online learning format offered by Penn State World Campus makes it possible for you to fit a high-quality certificate program into your busy schedule. The flexibility of the program format provides the opportunity to gain the skills and knowledge you need to make informed decisions that can help prevent disease, prolong life, and promote health.

Curriculum

Your course work will cover topics such as:

- **Behavioral Health Intervention Strategies**
Evaluation of intervention strategies from a biobehavioral health context; theories of change processes in health.
- **Principles of Biostatistics**
Introduction to the application of techniques and interpretation of results that are commonly used to plan, analyze, and report clinical and health services research.
- **Principles of Epidemiology**
Topics include measurements, surveillance, outbreak investigation, bias, and study design.
- **Health Services Organization and Delivery**
Examination of health systems, organization, financing, and evaluation; trends, problems, and issues.

Begin Your Application Today

To pursue the Graduate Certificate in Public Health, complete an online Graduate School Application Form by clicking on the link on the “How to Apply” page at worldcampus.psu.edu/public-health-apply.

To enroll in this program, you must hold a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution with credits substantially equivalent to those required by Penn State.

The following materials are also required as part of the application process:

- a copy of an official transcript from each higher education institution attended
- TOEFL or IELTS score, if applicable
- references
- résumé
- statement of purpose

Did You Know?

- Penn State World Campus students come from all 50 states, more than 60 countries, and 7 continents, yet they share the goal of making their lives better through education.
- Being a Penn State student is more than simply taking courses. As a World Campus student, you will have the opportunity to participate in some of Penn State’s most popular traditions and connect with fellow Penn Staters outside the classroom.
- Our staff understands that adult students deal with outside responsibilities and challenging life circumstances. We can help you achieve your personal and professional goals through distance education.

The Penn State Difference

Online Collaborative Learning Experience

Penn State has many years of experience providing global access to a real university education. The online environment of the Public Health Graduate Certificate is highly interactive and collaborative, allowing you to interact frequently with your faculty from the Department of Public Health Sciences in the Penn State College of Medicine. And with our global learning community of adult learners exchanging ideas and experiences, you will be as near to the face-to-face experience as possible.

Accreditation

Penn State's Master of Public Health (MPH) resident program is accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH). The expertise and curriculum from the master's degree is now available in the form of the Public Health Graduate Certificate to meet the unique needs of working professionals who seek foundational training in public health.

Reputation

Penn State is universally regarded as one of the finest educational institutions in the United States. Putting a Penn State graduate certificate on your résumé is a great way to broaden your career options.

Flexibility and Convenience

Penn State understands that adults need flexible and convenient learning options in order to continue meeting their professional and personal commitments. As a Penn State World Campus student, you will have the flexibility to tailor the course schedule according to your own pace and needs, but your courses will have the same rigor you would expect from a Penn State program.

Contact Us

To learn more about the Graduate Certificate in Public Health, offered online in partnership with the Penn State College of Medicine, please contact:

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