The Muskie School’s Master of Public Health (MPH) degree program prepares students with the practical knowledge and skills to address today’s complex population health and health services challenges. Multi-disciplinary in nature, the MPH program delivers a broad public health and health systems perspective, with two specialized concentrations: Policy & Practice and a nationally accredited Health Management track. Students can also pursue advanced coursework in epidemiology, biostatistics, research methods, and environmental health. Graduates serve in the public and private sectors to apply evidence-based practices and state-of-the-art knowledge and skills to improve health and prevent disease.

Engage in Applied Research, Experiential Learning

The Muskie School is a learning laboratory where students, staff, and faculty work together to discover and conduct relevant research, and help implement solutions at the local, regional, state, and national level. Students in the MPH program have the unique opportunity for experiential learning and applied research, working with nationally recognized faculty and staff engaged in projects to improve public health and health systems.

Through paid graduate and research assistantships, students engage in research, evaluation, and service projects addressing a wide variety of public health, health service, and health policy issues. Faculty and alumni are also well-connected with the practice community, creating opportunities for field placements, capstone projects, and career networking.

Create Meaningful Connections

The program offers hands-on field experience opportunities in a wide variety of public health and healthcare organizations in Maine and beyond, including hospitals, state and local health departments, primary care and multi-specialty physician practices, and non-profit health and health-related organizations.

Advance Your Career

Graduates of the Muskie School work in diverse roles in the health services and public health field in Maine and throughout the country. From leaders in health organizations to today’s foremost researchers, they are managing health and public health organizations and informing policy and practice.

Whether you are looking to advance your current career or begin a new career path, the Muskie School will prepare you with the knowledge and skills to help you succeed.
The Master of Public Health offers a competency-based curriculum that provides a foundation of knowledge and skills for effective performance in public health and health management. The program offers full- and part-time options and a schedule conducive to career professionals with classes in the late afternoon and evening. Some courses are offered in locations throughout Maine through the university’s distance education network. Core requirements for both the Health Management (47 credits) and Policy & Practice (46 credits) concentrations include the following courses:

**Core Courses:**
- American Health System
- Biostatistics
- Environmental Health
- Epidemiology
- Social and Behavioral Health

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**46 credits**  
**45 credits**

* Track accredited by the Commission on the Accreditation of Health Management Education

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Applications are accepted and considered on a rolling basis for the fall and spring semesters. Students accepted into the MPH program must hold a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university.

In addition to graduate and research assistantship opportunities, scholarships are also available for new and continuing students through the Muskie School and USM. Graduate students at the University of Southern Maine are also eligible to apply for financial aid from a variety of sources. **Apply early for best consideration!**

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