

# Master of Public Health

The Tufts University Master of Public Health (MPH) program addresses public health from a broad, interdisciplinary perspective that prepares our graduates to use systems level thinking to approach public health problems. Our faculty use a health equity lens to teach research methods and data analysis; public health and health care systems; program planning and evaluation; policy-making and its impact on populations; management, governance and leadership; and effective communication skills. Required courses are offered in late afternoon or evening to accommodate student schedules.



## Required Courses

- Principles of Epidemiology
- Principles of Biostatistics
- Public Health Assessment: Data, Determinants and Systems
- Public Health Action: Programs, Policy and Advocacy
- Evaluation of Public Health Programs
- Health Care Organizations: Budgeting & Management
- Applied Learning Experience

## Degree Requirements

**42**  
CREDITS

**21 CREDITS**  
core courses

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**21 CREDITS**  
concentration requirements  
& electives

## Capstone Project

Two critical elements of the MPH learning experience are applying classroom knowledge in a public health setting and demonstrating the ability to integrate foundational and concentration specific competencies. At Tufts, these are combined in our Applied Learning Experience (ALE). The ALE creates the opportunity for students to plan a project with an organization involved in public health work and then carry out that project over the course of eight to ten weeks. Most students complete their ALE in the United States, but students may work with faculty to develop a global health ALE.

## Sample Project Locations

- Action for Boston Community Development
- Boston Center for Refugee Health & Human Rights
- Boston Children's Hospital
- Boston Public Health Commission
- Boston Public Schools
- California Department of Public Health
- Cambridge Health Alliance
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- Children's Health Watch
- East Boston Neighborhood Health Center
- Health Care for All
- Massachusetts Center for Health Information and Analysis
- Massachusetts Department of Public Health
- Massachusetts Health Policy Commission
- National Center for Environmental Health
- Oxfam America
- National Asian Pacific Center on Aging
- Tufts Medical Center
- United Nations Children's Fund
- U.S. Department of Agriculture
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

## Concentrations

### Epidemiology and Biostatistics

Prepares students to collect, analyze, and interpret health data to improve public health and health care.

### Nutrition

Prepares students to promote healthy eating and active living through program and policy development and assessment.

### Behavioral Science and Health Communication

Prepares students to design and implement evidence-based health promotion programs and campaigns.

### Health Services Management and Policy

Prepares students to develop and analyze health care policy and improve health care services and systems.

## Sample Faculty Research

### Ndidiyama Amutah-Onukagha, PhD, MPH

Assistant Professor, Public Health and Community Medicine  
Studies health disparities and adverse birth outcomes for women of color



### Kenneth Chui, PhD, MPH

Assistant Professor, Public Health and Community Medicine  
Studies the impact of extreme weather events on human health

## Application Requirements

- SOPHAS Application
- Personal Statement
- 3 Letters of Recommendation
- Official Transcripts

## Application Deadlines

**Spring:** October 25 (Priority)  
December 15 (Final)

**Fall:** January 15 (Priority)  
April 15 (Final)