

Coordinated Master of Science in Nursing / Master of Public Health in Maternal & Child Health Policy

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The coordinated MPH/MSN degree is designed to address the dynamic health care needs of women and children. This program prepares nurse practitioners to participate in the development, implementation, and evaluation of innovative maternal and child health (MCH) programs and policies. This dual degree builds on the synergy generated through two complementary curriculum tracks. In this educational experience, advanced clinical skill is combined with expertise in program planning and evaluation.

Admissions: Students are admitted separately to the MPH and MSN degree programs and must meet admission requirements in both the School of Public Health and the School of Nursing at UAB.

Curriculum

Students in this track must complete 44 credit hours. This includes the MPH Core, SOPH requirements, track requirements, electives and internship. The coordinated MPH/MSN degree can be completed in 2-3 years of full-time study. Normally, a minimum of 44 credit hours are required for the MPH; however, because of the coordinated nature of the degree, 9 credit hours from the MSN curriculum are credited to the MPH degree. Students may complete the MPH totally online, in class, or through a mix of online and in class experiences.

Requirements	Hours
MPH Core Requirements: (14 hours)	
PUH 601 This is Public Health	1
PUH 602 Community Assessment	3
PUH 603 Quantitative Methods in Public Health	3
PUH 604 Programs and Policies	3
PUH 605 Public Health Management and Evaluation	3
PUH 606 Leadership for Evidence-Based Public Health	1
MPH Focus Courses (15 hours):	
HCO 604 Health Economics and Public Health Policy	3
HCO 605 Foundations of Maternal and Child Health: Programs and Policies for Women, Children, and Families	3
HCO 609 Public Health Program Planning, Implementation and Evaluation	3
HCO 618 Management Concepts in Public Health Programs	3
HCO 625 Advanced Leadership and Practice in MCH Part I - Introduction to Leadership	1
HCO 626 Adv Leadership and Practice in MCH Module II - Collaborative Leadership and Advocacy	1

HCO 627	ADV Leadership and Practice in MCH Module III - Into the Streets: Lead/Field Experience	1
Applied Practice Experience: (3 hours)		
HCO 697	Internship	3
Integrative Learning Experience: (3 hours)		
PUH 695	Environment and Health: The MPH Capstone	3
Total SOPH Hours:		35
Electives shared with the School of Nursing (9 hours):		
NUR 606	Translating Evidence into Practice	3
NUR 610	Health Care Systems for Advanced Nursing Practice	3
Nursing Course		3
Total MPH Hours:		44