Joint Degree: Ph.D. in Behavioral Psychology and Master of Public Health

The department offers a joint Ph.D./M.P.H. degree in collaboration with the Master of Public Health (http://catalog.ku.edu/medicine/preventive-medicine-public-health/mph) program in the Department of Preventive Medicine and Public Health at KU Medical Center. The degree incorporates efficiencies in the elective and research requirements of both departments. This is the first degree in the nation to combine an M.P.H. with the strengths of advanced study in applied behavioral science. Faculty and student research teams address issues in community health and development, child and youth health and development, disabilities and independent living, and healthy aging. Separate admission is required to both the Ph.D. program of the Department of Applied Behavioral Science (http://catalog.ku.edu/liberal-arts-sciences/applied-behavioral-science/phd) and M.P.H. program of the Department of Preventive Medicine and Public Health (http://ph.kumc.edu).

Admission to Graduate Studies

An applicant seeking to pursue graduate study in the College may be admitted as either a degree-seeking or non-degree seeking student. Policies and procedures of Graduate Studies govern the process of Graduate admission. These may be found in the Graduate Studies (http://catalog.ku.edu/graduate-studies) section of the online catalog.

Please consult the Departments & Programs (http://catalog.ku.edu/liberal-arts-sciences) section of the online catalog for information regarding program-specific admissions criteria and requirements. Special admissions requirements pertain to Interdisciplinary Studies degrees, which may be found in the Graduate Studies section of the online catalog.

Joint Ph.D. M.P.H. Degree

Department of Applied Behavioral Science and Department of Preventive Medicine

Offered by the Department of Applied Behavioral Science (Lawrence) and the Department of Preventive Medicine and Public Health (KU Medical Center, Kansas City and Wichita). This joint program is the first in the nation to combine the strengths of advanced study in applied behavioral science with a Master of Public Health (M.P.H.) degree. It results from a unique collaboration between two units: the Department of Applied Behavioral Science, offering a Ph.D. in Behavioral Psychology; and the Department of Preventive Medicine and Public Health, with its M.P.H. program.

Coursework

Requirements for the Joint Ph.D./M.P.H. Degree (*may count toward both degrees) M.P.H. Degree Requirements: 39 credit hours

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PRVM 818 Social and Behavioral Aspects of Public Health 3
PRVM 827 Public Health Administration 3
PRVM 830 Environmental Health 3
PRVM 875 Management of Public Health Data 3
BIOS 714 Fundamentals of Biostatistics 1
or BIOS 704 Principles of Statistics in Public Health 3

Code Title Hours
Shared PhD Courses satisfies requirements for the MPH
Concentration in Social and Behavioral Health
ABSC 710 Community Health and Development 3
ABSC 735 Within Subjects Research Methodology and Direct Observation 3
ABSC 746 Introduction to Behavioral Science 3
ABSC 861 Principles of Behavior Analysis 3

MPH Elective
PRVM 8XX 3

Public Health Internship and Capstone
PRVM 891 Public Health Internship 3
PRVM 893 Public Health Capstone 3