

**THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
LI KA SHING FACULTY OF MEDICINE**

SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Master of Public Health (MPH)

Applications are invited for admission in September 2024.

A. Introduction

The Master of Public Health (MPH) is a broad-based graduate training programme designed to prepare physicians, dentists, nurses, other health professionals, medical and health researchers and policy analysts to identify and analyse contemporary health and healthcare issues in Hong Kong, China and the Asia Pacific.

MPH is the first in the region and the only academic programme in Hong Kong fully accredited by the USA's Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH), the longest standing accrediting body of public health schools and programmes in the world. A CEPH-accredited MPH qualification leads to eligibility to sit for the Certified in Public Health (CPH) exam and obtain the CPH credential. Both the CPH exam and certification are administered by the USA's National Board of Public Health Examiners.

The aims and objectives of the Master of Public Health are to prepare students for public health practice and research through the acquisition of

- foundational knowledge within the 4 core areas of Public Health
- an in depth understanding of local, regional and international health determinants and outcomes,
- skills to initiate policy responses required to protect and promote population health
- an in depth knowledge of the relevant theories and practice in public health
- skills necessary to design and implement public health research and translate public health knowledge into practice
- skills in the broad fields of public health to support candidates' preparation for the Hong Kong College of Community Medicine Public Health Part I and Administrative Medicine Part I fellowship examination for physicians, the UK Faculty of Public Health of the Royal Colleges of Physicians (MFPH) and Diplomate (DFPH) examinations open to physicians, other health professionals and scientists.

To be eligible for admission to the programme leading to the Master of Public Health, a candidate shall:

- (a) comply with the [General Regulations](#);
- (b) comply with the [Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula](#);
- (c) hold a Bachelor's degree with honours or the degrees of MBBS of this University, or another qualification of equivalent standard from this University or from another University or comparable institution accepted for this purpose;
- (d) satisfy the University English language requirement applicable to higher degrees as prescribed under [General Regulation G2\(b\)](#) and
- (e) satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination, if required.

Exemptions will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Those who do not intend to pursue the MPH qualification may register as an Occasional Student and take selected course(s) only.

A number of courses have been accredited with Continuing Medical Education points by some Colleges.

B. The Curriculum

Curriculum structure	Master of Public Health
	Credit weight [#]
Core courses	18
Concentration/elective courses	24
<u>Total course credits</u>	<u>42</u>
Practicum	12
Capstone	15
<u>Total credits</u>	<u>69</u>
Duration	1-year full-time 2-year part-time
Syllabus	Students should refer to the curriculum for their selected concentration to guide their course selection

Although flexible teaching schedules are offered, most teaching is held on weekday evenings and Saturdays. Part-time candidates must ensure that their employers will give them sufficient time off to attend the course.

Concentrations

- Public Health Practice
- Epidemiology and Biostatistics
- Control of Infectious Diseases
- Health Economics, Policy and Management

C. Course Assessment

Appropriate assessment will be held at the end of each course. Course assessments, held throughout the year, will contribute towards final evaluation.

D. Further Information

Information on the curriculum may be found from our websites:

- <https://www.mph.sph.hku.hk>
- <https://admissions.hku.hk/tpg/programme/master-public-health>

Enquiries should be directed to the MPH Office of the School of Public Health (Tel: 852-3917 9140; Fax: 852-2855 9528; E-mail: mphsph@hku.hk).

E. Application for Admission

Applications can be submitted via our on-line application system at <https://admissions.hku.hk/tpg/faculty/li-ka-shing-faculty-medicine>

All application forms and supporting documents will be destroyed if your application is unsuccessful.

Application form for Occasional Student can be downloaded from https://sas.sph.hku.hk/files/form/MPH_Form_Occasional_2024.pdf

The closing date for Main Round applications is **12:00 noon (GMT +8), 30 April 2024** and the closing date for Clearing Round (for local applicants only) is **12:00 noon (GMT +8), 28 June 2024**.

Candidates who apply to the MPH prior to 15 February 2024 will be able to participate in an Early Decision Process. Candidates will have their application fast-tracked and receive an early decision.

F. Provisional course fees[#]

Degree Programme/ Duration and fees	Master of Public Health
1-year full time (fees per year)	\$209,700
2-year part-time (fees per year)	\$104,850

Occasional Student: \$10,500 per course.

[#] Subject to the University's approval.