GLOBAL HEALTH (ONLINE) (Z183)

Graduate Certificate Program
College: Public Health

Abstract

The Graduate Certificate in Global Health is designed for students and working professionals who seek a foundational understanding of global health within the broader field of public health. This 12-credit, online, four-course program emphasizes the knowledge, skills, and analytical approaches needed to address pressing health challenges in a globalized world. Offered through the School of Public Health, the curriculum covers core concepts in global health systems, health behavior and communication, and program planning and evaluation, with flexibility to tailor elective coursework toward specific areas of interest.

Upon completion of the certificate, students will be able to interpret global health issues in a public health context; analyze how environmental, cultural, political, economic, and social structures shape health outcomes worldwide; compare and apply strategies such as behavior change communication, social marketing, and social mobilization; design and evaluate an intervention for a global health problem; and assess how social inequalities and human rights influence disease prevention and health promotion.

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ADMISSIONS

The Certificate and Global Health program accepts standard-path applications through the Graduate School Application Portal (https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/application-process/apply-now/#:~:text=Standard%20Path%20%2D%20Graduate%20School%20Application%20Portal).

General Requirements

- A Bachelor's degree
- Minimum 3.0 undergraduate GPA
- Statement of Purpose.Transcript(s)
- TOEFL/IELTS/PTE (international graduate students (https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/english-language-proficiency-requirements/))
- Response to Personal Experiences Question(s)

Program-Specific Requirements

- In your Statement of Purpose, clearly describe your motivation for pursuing this certificate and the specific academic, professional, or personal goals you aim to achieve upon completing the program
- Letter of Recommendation (1)
- CV/Resume

Non-UMD students who would like to pursue the Certificate in Global Health should visit the UMD Graduate School Admissions (https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/) page for detailed application steps. gradschool.umd.edu/admissions (http://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/)

Current graduate students within the School of Public Health may enroll in courses that fulfill the requirements of the Certificate in Global Health. Please contact your Graduate Director for more information.

For more admissions information or to apply to the program, please visit our Graduate School website: www.gradschool.umd.edu/admissions **(**http://www.gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/**)**

Application Deadlines

Type of Applicant	Fall Deadline	Spring Deadline	Summer Deadline
Domestic Applicants			
US Citizens and Permanent Residents	August 20, 2027	January 15, 2027	N/A
International Applicants			
F (student) or J (exchange visitor) visas; A, E, G, H, I and L visas and immigrants	N/A	N/A	N/A

***Visa Eligibility:** This program is not eligible for I-20 or DS-2019 issuance by the University of Maryland. International students who currently reside in the U.S. on existing visas may apply.

RESOURCES AND LINKS:

Program Website: sph.umd.edu/academics/certificates/certificate-global-health-post-baccalaureate (https://sph.umd.edu/academics/certificates/certificate-global-health-post-baccalaureate/)
Application Process: sph.umd.edu/graduate-application-process (https://sph.umd.edu/graduate-application-process/)
Admissions FAQ: sph.umd.edu/admissions/graduate-admissions/graduate-application-faqs (https://sph.umd.edu/admissions/graduate-admissions/graduate-application-faqs/)

REQUIREMENTS

- Global Health (online), Post-Baccalaureate Certificate (P.B.C.) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/global-health-online-z183/global-health-online-pbc/)