Public Health at Salus

Salus University Public Health programs offer our students an integrative, interdisciplinary strategy to address population and healthcare needs through instruction, research and service.

Our student-centered, cost-effective Public Health programs offer a unique, blended format that combines effective learning, communication, and mentoring to our students, who are located around the globe.

This type of learning encourages an exchange of experiences and ideas that allow students to gain new perspectives.

Many of our faculty are international experts in a variety of public health disciplines. They use that expertise to help students apply their new-found knowledge in practical ways to “real world” problems, particularly through mission relevant capstone projects.

Collaborative partnerships allow Salus students to complete capstone projects in their communities — with organizations that provide practical, real world experience.

Salus University Degree Programs by College

Doctor of Philosophy, Biomedicine
Master of Science, Biomedicine

Pennsylvania College of Optometry
Doctor of Optometry
Master of Science, Clinical Optometry

Osborne College of Audiology
Doctor of Audiology

College of Education and Rehabilitation
Master of Science Degrees in:
Low Vision Therapy
Low Vision Rehabilitation
Orientation and Mobility
Occupational Therapy
Speech-Language Pathology

Master of Education Degree in:
Blindness and Visual Impairment

College of Health Sciences
Master of Medical Science Degree in Physician Assistant Studies

Master of Public Health Degree
Public Health Certificates

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Our Programs

MPH Program
The Salus University Master of Public Health (MPH) degree program is responsive to the significant disparity between the population health care needs of the community and capacity of public health systems, both domestically and globally.

Our MPH program is designed to bridge the gap in public health training in underrepresented professions. These underrepresented professions in the public health workforce lack sufficient individuals trained in public health, diminishing any effective impact on the population health challenges in these fields. This educational gap further undermines the ability of these professionals to be integrated into evolving healthcare systems in a manner that maximizes their contributions to improved health status.

Certificate Programs
Public Health Certificate Programs are designed to address the needs and interests of students and health professionals in underrepresented professions, domestically and internationally. Besides a source of student certification, these programs will act as information and refinement tools for the fully implemented MPH program. All certificate program credits are transferable to the full MPH program. Currently the program has two tracks:

  Humanitarian Health Care
  Health Policy

Current Students
Current students in our MPH program are from Africa, Australia, Germany, and the United States. Seven disciplines are represented: Optometry, Nursing, Physician Assistant, Audiology, Biological Science, Administration and Fine Arts. Individuals involved in public health professions are exceptional people who have passion for what they do and want to make a difference in the lives of others. We invite those types of individuals to join the Salus University Master of Public Health degree and certificates programs.

Student Enrollment
The MPH degree is designed to be an interdisciplinary, graduate, professional degree in public health. Students obtain broad knowledge and basic skills in the core areas of public health. They will also be able to acquire proficiency in one or more specialized areas through advanced coursework, and gain experience in applying advanced knowledge to the solution of actual health problems in community settings during internship training.

Collaborating Partners
The Salus University MPH program has developed collaborative partnerships with public health-related organizations and institutions around the world. A formal Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is executed for each partnership. The MOU forms the platform for the student to apply their public health competences in a real world environment.

The University uses its experiences in community-based domestic programs and international public health initiatives to forge a wide variety of collaborating partnerships.

Salus University has established a number of collaborating partnerships with both public and private sector entities, including such organizations as:

  American Optometric Association (AOA)
  India Vision Institute (IVI)
  International Council for Education of People with Visual Impairment (ICEVI)
  International Centre for Eye Care Education (ICEE)
  African Vision Research Institute (AVRI)
  The African Council of Optometry (AFCO)

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