

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN PUBLIC HEALTH, GCPH

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Mission

The Graduate Programs in Public Health (GPPH) are globally accessible programs committed to promoting health equity in communities through education, research, and service using a scholar-practitioner model.

Program Description

The Graduate Certificate in Public Health is an 18-credit hour program that provides students with the core public health courses they need to broaden and enhance their professional knowledge. All courses in the Graduate Certificate in Public Health are also transferable to the Master of Public Health (M.P.H.) degree program.

Program Vision

Our graduates will build healthier global communities through informed and collaborative public health practice.

Program Values

At GPPH, we value and encourage:

- Accessibility
- Advocacy
- Collaboration
- Cultural Humility
- Diversity
- Equity
- Integrity
- Service

Accreditation

The Master of Public Health and Graduate Certificate in Public Health programs at the University of New England are accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH).

The University of New England is institutionally accredited by the New England Commission on Higher Education (NECHE).

Transfer Credit

Upon acceptance, students may apply to transfer up to two courses (maximum of six credits) into the Graduate Certificate in Public Health program.

To request consideration for transfer credit, a student must provide an official transcript and a course syllabus for each course. Transfer credit is awarded at the discretion of the College of Professional Studies based on specific program details listed below. Requests for approval of transfer credit should be submitted to the Program Director, and will be granted per their discretion.

Transfer courses must:

- Be classified as graduate level
- Be from a CEPH accredited institution
- Have been taken within five years of application
- Have been completed with a grade of B or better
- Be worth three credits
- Be equivalent to one of the required program courses or an elective course that meets the goals of the student's education

Individuals who earned a Graduate Certificate in Public Health from the University of New England within the last five years may apply for admission to the M.P.H. program and request that all courses be accepted. Current GCPH students, who are in good standing, may apply to the M.P.H. program at any time during the certificate program by requesting a change of major with their Enrollment and Retention Counselor.

Experiential Learning

The GCPH program does not grant academic credit for life experiences or previous work experience.

Admissions

See Online Admissions (<https://catalog.une.edu/graduate/admissions/#onlineprogramstext>) for more information.

Financial Information

Tuition and Fees

Tuition and fees for subsequent years may vary. Other expenses include books and housing. Please consult this catalog's Financial Information (<https://catalog.une.edu/graduate/financial-information-graduate-programs/>) page for specific tuition and fees information.

Financial Aid

Detailed information and applications are available on request from the Financial Aid Office. Call (207) 602-2342 or visit the Financial Aid website (<https://www.une.edu/sfs/>).

Curricular Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Program Required Courses		
GPH 702	An Interprofessional Approach to Policy & Advocacy	3
GPH 712	Principles of Epidemiology	3
GPH 714	Principles of Public Health	3
GPH 716	Biostatistics	3
GPH 722	Introduction to Environmental Health	3
GPH 726	Social and Behavioral Health	3
Total Hours		18

Academic Policy

Minimum Grade Point Average

Matriculated graduate students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better. Failure to do so will result in academic probation and possible termination from the program. Any student receiving a grade below B- on any individual course has failed that course must re-enroll and repeat the course to achieve a grade of B- or better. Any student who receives a

grade of F in two or more courses may be dismissed from the program. An F that is replaced through retaking the course does not count toward this policy.

Graduation

To qualify for completion and receive the Graduate Certificate in Public Health (GCPH) students must:

- Satisfactorily complete 18 credits of specified coursework
- Maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0.
- Have no outstanding financial obligations to the University

Program Goals

Education

1. Enroll and support qualified and diverse students.
2. Cultivate a learning environment that values diversity and cultural competence.
3. Ensure all graduates possess the knowledge, skills, and values necessary for public health practice.
4. Align curricula with public health workforce needs.
5. Recruit, retain, and support qualified and diverse faculty.

Research

1. Sustain a scholarly research agenda to advance the field of public health.
2. Support scientific inquiry among students.
3. Support a collaborative scholarly environment for students and faculty.

Service

1. Facilitate student and faculty participation in service activities with a public health focus.
2. Identify service opportunities that fosters networking and aligns with career goals.