Orientation

To facilitate a smooth transition into the BUSPH community, MS/MPH students are strongly encouraged to attend an Orientation. For more information, please visit: https://www.bu.edu/sph/students/getting-started-at-busph/orientation/

Advising and ILE*

*Integrated Learning Experience

MS/MPH students are required to select a Functional Certificate as part of their degree. Once a Certificate is selected, you will receive an email with your assigned Faculty Advisor. The ILE is required for the Functional Certificate. Each Certificate has a specific requirement which can be found under “My Academic Program” on the Student Dashboard.

Student Resources

MS/MPH students are welcome to take part in a variety of resources to receive academic support and develop their leadership skills. For more information about academic resources and student organizations please visit: https://www.bu.edu/sph/students/student-services/

Course Scheduling Note

Students may take one or more of the core MPH courses in the summer, and then take one or more extra courses in the fall semester in one of their Certificate areas. Thus, to get ahead, if they’re doing the Epi/Biostats Certificate, they can take the quantitative core in the summer and then take BS723 in the fall. Otherwise, they can’t take any second level statistics courses until the next fall.

Practicum & Career PREP

MS/MPH students may conduct their required Practicum concurrently with MPH courses. Students submit a Practicum Proposal with scope of work and proposed Learning Competencies into the Practicum Portal for approval. Students must also complete the Career PREP course. For more info about the Practicum, read here. For more info about Career PREP, read here.

Handshake

SPH Handshake is the Career and Job Portal featuring practicums, jobs and career events. Your BU email address may be associated with the BU central Handshake account. In order to have access to SPH Handshake, please email sphcareeroffice@bu.edu with an alternate email address. Please use subject line, “SPH Handshake Account Request”.

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