



MPH Sex, Sexuality and Gender Roadmap

2025-2026*

[Bulletin](#)

48 credits to an MPH

Integrated Core, Foundations, & Career PREP

(16 credits)

Develop a strong foundation in public health through the core courses:

- PH700 Foundations of Public Health (0 cr.) **
- PH717 Quantitative Methods for Public Health (4 cr.)
- PH718 Leadership and Management in Public Health (4 cr.)
- PH719 Health Systems, Law, and Policy (4 cr.)
- PH720 Individual, Community, and Population Health (4 cr.)
- PH746 Career PREP (0 cr)***

Additional 20 Credits

(20 credits)

To fulfill your additional 20 required credits, complete a functional certificate (16 cr.) plus 1 elective (4 cr.)

MPH Practicum

(240 hours; 0 credits)

Gain experience as a public health professional through a Practicum.

- You can begin your Practicum after you have completed at least 16 SPH credits
- More information can be found here: <https://www.bu.edu/sph/careers/for-students/practmenu/>
- Questions? Contact sphpract@bu.edu

Certificate Requirements

(12 credits)

- SPH GH 750 Gender, Sexuality, Power, and Inequality in Global Health (4 cr)
- Choose 8 credits from the following:
- SPH GH 766 Sexual & Reproductive Health in Disaster Settings (4 cr)
 - SPH GH 795 Global AIDS Epidemic (4 cr)
 - SPH LW 840 Health Law, Bioethics, and Human Rights (4 units)
 - SPH MC 705 Safer Sex in the City (4 cr)
 - SPH MC 783 Substance Use Among Diverse Populations (4 cr)
 - SPH MC 785 Sexual and Reproductive Health Advocacy: From Rights to Justice (2 cr)
 - SPH MC 795 The Health of Adolescents and Emerging Adults (4 cr)
 - SPH MC 840 Women and Health Policy: Gender, Evidence, and Politics (4 cr)
 - SPH SB 753 Preventing Sexual & Intimate Partner Violence (4 cr)
 - SPH SB 760 LGBTQ Health (4 cr)

Potential 4 credit overlap between certificates

Integrative Learning Experience

(0 credits)

Integrate, synthesize, and apply the knowledge and skills you have learned throughout the MPH program. ILE is completed during final semester. The ILE is completed through your functional certificate.

*Student **must** follow course requirements relative to the semester they matriculated. Official requirements are listed in the Academic Bulletin.

**PH700 Foundations of Public Health (0 cr.) is a self-directed, online course completed prior to matriculation.

***PH746 Career PREP is a career development course (on-campus or online) students must complete prior to graduation.

Dual degree students should consult the academic bulletin for official degree requirements as they differ from the roadmap.

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