



MPH

Master of Public Health

Study mode

Full-time

Part-time

Duration

12 months

24 to 36 months

Apply by: **29 August 2025**

Starts on: **22 September 2025**

About this course

Build the foundations of a career as a public health leader striving to promote health to, and prevent disease in, individuals, families, communities and populations. You'll analyse public health systems, health protection principles and improvement strategies, learn how to reduce inequalities, and gain essential statistical, research and leadership skills.

Introduction

Public health is about tackling the wider determinants of health and wellbeing. On this programme we'll equip you with the expertise required to put public health principles into practice.

Established in 1989, the Master of Public Health (MPH) degree is internationally respected for its multidisciplinary focus and commitment to the World Health Organisation's (WHO) Health for All principles.

Critically appraising the complexities of health and social care systems, you'll explore contemporary and historical influences on public health systems.

We'll introduce you to key health protection principles, trace the development and evolution of health improvement strategies, and examine the social factors driving health inequalities.

Gaining experience using advanced statistical data and epidemiological techniques, you'll discover qualitative research methodologies and receive a grounding in

management theories and practice.

The MPH forms a core component of approved training programmes for Health Education North West (HENW). As such, it will help you prepare for UK Faculty of Public Health Part A examinations. You'll graduate ready to take on a variety of leadership and management roles in public health research, practice and policy.

Who is this course for?

The course attracts students from a wide variety of backgrounds. These include medicine, nursing, pharmacy, occupational therapy, health services, health service management and environmental health, as well as natural sciences, social sciences and humanities subjects.

It's a suitable programme if you're working in any area of public health, health services management, policy and planning, housing or transport, or for governmental organisations, community groups and non-governmental organisations.

Plus, if it suits you better, you can study some of the course modules as standalone CPD (Continuing Professional Development) modules. For more information contact: mph@liverpool.ac.uk

What you'll learn

- Key statistical concepts and epidemiological techniques in healthcare
- The application of social science theories and sociological concepts to public health.
- How to devise a public health improvement strategy
- Current and historical influences on the development of public health systems
- Key management theories and concepts underpinning health services
- How to use qualitative research to explore current issues in healthcare.
- Social determinants of health inequalities
- Principles of health protection from infectious diseases, hazards, and emerging threats
- How to assess the evidence behind healthcare interventions

Course content

Discover what you'll learn, what you'll study, and how you'll be taught and assessed.

Semester one

You'll study three compulsory modules and chose one optional module in semester one.

Modules

Compulsory modules	Credits
<u>EPIDEMIOLOGY AND STATISTICS FOR PUBLIC HEALTH I (PUBH110)</u>	15
<u>HEALTH IMPROVEMENT (PUBH130)</u>	15
<u>AN INTRODUCTION TO QUALITATIVE RESEARCH (PUBH160)</u>	15

Optional modules	Credits
<u>HEALTH POLICY, GOVERNANCE AND ECONOMICS (PUBH170)</u>	15
<u>GLOBAL PUBLIC HEALTH (PUBH001)</u>	15

Programme details and modules listed are illustrative only and subject to change.

Semester two

You'll study three compulsory modules and chose one optional module in semester two.

Modules

Compulsory modules	Credits
<u>HEALTH INEQUALITIES: EVIDENCE AND POLICY. (PUBH407)</u>	15
<u>HEALTH & SOCIETY (PUBH150)</u>	15
<u>HEALTH PROTECTION (PUBH220)</u>	15

Optional modules	Credits
<u>EPIDEMIOLOGY AND STATISTICS FOR PUBLIC HEALTH II (PUBH250)</u>	15
<u>EVIDENCE-BASED PUBLIC HEALTH: THEORY, METHODS AND PRACTICE (PUBH418)</u>	15
<u>PLANETARY HEALTH (PUBH002)</u>	15

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Final project

You'll complete a dissertation in semester three.

Modules

Compulsory modules	Credits
<u>DISSERTATION (PUBH300)</u>	60

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Teaching and assessment

How you'll learn

The programme is taught using a combination of tutorials, seminars, group exercises, lab work and self-directed study. The focus is on small group sizes and collaborative work, with an open learning approach where the emphasis is on interaction.

You'll typically attend for two days per week for full-time study for the first two semesters. Semester three is dedicated to your dissertation.

How you're assessed

You'll be assessed through a combination of individual written assignments, written examinations, group presentations and group reports. You will also complete a dissertation.

Liverpool Hallmarks

We have a distinctive approach to education, the Liverpool Curriculum Framework, which focuses on research-connected teaching, active learning, and authentic assessment to ensure our students graduate as digitally fluent and confident global citizens.

The Liverpool Curriculum framework sets out our distinctive approach to education. Our teaching staff support our students to develop academic knowledge, skills, and understanding alongside our **graduate attributes**:

- Digital fluency
- Confidence
- Global citizenship

Our curriculum is characterised by the three **Liverpool Hallmarks**:

- Research-connected teaching
- Active learning
- Authentic assessment

All this is underpinned by our core value of **inclusivity** and commitment to providing a curriculum that is accessible to all students.

Careers and employability

The MPH forms a core component of approved training programmes for Health Education North West (HENW). They're responsible for the commissioning and management of training and education for: NHS speciality registrars in public health, working towards a Certificate of Completion of Training and students who wish to go on to complete Membership of the Faculty of Public Health Medicine (MFPHM) Part A.

The programme provides a strong foundation for putting public health principles into practice in a variety of settings, including research, practice and policy.

As an MPH graduate, you can apply for senior positions in public health research, practice and policy. Suitable roles are varied, from working on community health improvement programmes to contributing to the prevention and control of infectious diseases.

You'll be well-placed to take on a management or leadership role working in:

- Governmental organisations.
- Health services management.
- Policy and planning.
- Housing.
- Transport.
- Community Groups.
- Charities.
- Non-governmental organisations.

On successful completion of the MPH, you could also choose to pursue further study at doctoral level.

Career support from day one to graduation and beyond

Career planning

From education to employment

Networking events

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Fees and funding

Your tuition fees, funding your studies, and other costs to consider.

Tuition fees

UK fees (applies to Channel Islands, Isle of Man and Republic of Ireland)

Full-time place, per year - £11,700

Part-time place, per year - £5,850

International fees

Full-time place, per year - £28,300

Part-time place, per year - £14,150

Fees stated are for the 2025-26 academic year. The part-time fees are based on a course duration of two years. Fees may vary on a pro-rata basis for alternative part-time course durations.

Tuition fees cover the cost of your teaching and assessment, operating facilities such as libraries, IT equipment, and access to academic and personal support.

- You can [pay your tuition fees in instalments](#).
- All or part of your tuition fees can be [funded by external sponsorship](#).
- International applicants who accept an offer of a place will need to [pay a tuition fee deposit](#).

If you're a UK national, or have settled status in the UK, you may be eligible to apply for a Postgraduate Loan worth up to £12,167 to help with course fees and living costs. [Learn more about paying for your studies](#).

Additional costs

We understand that budgeting for your time at university is important, and we want to make sure you understand any course-related costs that are not covered by your

tuition fee. This could include buying a laptop, books, or stationery.

Find out more about the [additional study costs](#) that may apply to this course.

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Entry requirements

The qualifications and exam results you'll need to apply for this course.

Postgraduate entry requirements

The Master of Public Health (MPH) programme is available to any University graduate in a health or health-related profession, as well as non-health-related graduates and others approved by the University. The entry requirements are as follows:

- Graduates in medicine of an approved university, health related degrees, and non-health related degrees at 2:2 level or above
- Applicants should be able to demonstrate evidence of work experience (paid, voluntary, internships, etc.) relevant to public health
- Applicants without a degree may be considered on the basis of holding a significant amount of direct public health work experience (assessed by the Programme Director).

In addition, applicants require a GCSE Grade 4, Grade C, or GCE O Level pass in Mathematics and English, or an equivalent qualification. Applicants will also need to provide a personal statement detailing why they wish to undertake the programme and how their work experience is relevant to the programme

International qualifications

[Select your country or region to view specific entry requirements.](#)

If you hold a bachelor's degree or equivalent, but don't meet our entry requirements, a Pre-Master's can help you gain a place. This specialist preparation course for postgraduate study is offered on campus at the **University of Liverpool International College**, in partnership with Kaplan International Pathways. Although there's no direct Pre-Master's route to this MPH, completing a Pre-Master's pathway can guarantee you a place on many other postgraduate courses at The University of Liverpool.

English language requirements

You'll need to demonstrate competence in the use of English language, unless you're from a [majority English speaking country](#).

We accept a variety of [international language tests](#) and [country-specific qualifications](#).

International applicants who do not meet the minimum required standard of English language can complete one of our [Pre-Sessional English courses](#) to achieve the required level.

IELTS

7.0 overall, with no component below 6.5

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