

PUBLIC HEALTH, MPH + CITY & REGIONAL PLANNING, MCP

The dual degree program between the Master of Public Health (MPH) and Master of City Planning (MCP) gives students broader exposure to issues that intersect health and the built environment, as well as with a broad range of valuable theory, methods, and applied learning opportunities. The multi-disciplinary approach provides graduates with the necessary knowledge to address the complexity of the environment as well as the depth of specific expertise in fields such as resource management, policy, and the urban environment. Students who complete the dual degree program will be uniquely suited to jobs in the private and public sectors involving planning, the built environment, and public health.

Completed individually outside the dual-degree program, the MPH requires 14 CUs and the MCP requires 18 CUs. Through this dual-degree program, the 14 CUs required for the MPH are earned by completing the 11 CUs of Public Health Requirements outlined below, plus counting CPLN 5010, CPLN 5030, and CPLN 6220 as MPH electives; the 18 CUs required for the MCP are earned by completing the 15 CUs of City Planning Requirements outlined below, plus counting any three PUBH courses as MCP General Electives.

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2026 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.

Students may begin in either the MCP or MPH program. Year One and Year Two are interchangeable. Although it is recommended that students apply to both programs simultaneously, it is possible for students to apply to the second program while they are in the first year of either the MCP or MPH programs. However, deviating from the standard course of study outlined below could result in needing more than 26 CUs to complete the dual-degree.

Course of Study for the following MCP Concentrations:

- Land Use and Environmental Planning
- Public & Private Development
- Smart Cities
- Sustainable Transportation & Infrastructure

Students in these concentrations take 4 CUs of concentration courses and 2 CUs of CPLN electives of their choosing.

First Year

Fall	Course	Units
Primary Program: City Planning ¹		
CPLN 5000	Introduction to City Planning: History, Theory and Practice	1

CPLN 5010	Quantitative Planning Analysis Methods	1
CPLN 5030	Modeling Geographical Objects	1
CPLN Concentration Foundation Course		1

Course Units 4.00

Spring

Primary Program: City Planning ¹

CPLN 5020	Urban Economics and Public Finance ²	1
CPLN 6000	Studio I	2
2 CPLN Concentration Courses		2

Course Units 5.00

Summer

MCP Summer Internship		
		Course Units 0.00

Second Year

Fall

Primary Program: Public Health ¹

PUBH 5010	Introduction to Biostatistics	1
PUBH 5040	Public Health Theories & Frameworks	1
PUBH 5060	Methods for Public Health Practice	1
PUBH 5070	Public Health Law & Ethics	1

Course Units 4.00

Spring

Primary Program: Public Health ¹

PUBH 5020	Introduction to the Principles and Methods of Epidemiology	1
PUBH 5050	Public Health Policy & Administration	1
PUBH 7080	Capstone Seminar I	1
1 PUBH Elective		1

Course Units 4.00

Summer

MPH Applied Practice Experience (APE)		
		Course Units 0.00

Third Year

Fall

Primary Program: City Planning ¹

CPLN 7010	Planning Studio (or other CPLN 7000-level studio)	2
1 CPLN Concentration Course		1
2 CPLN Electives		2
Course Units		5.00
Spring		
Primary Program: Public Health ¹		
CPLN 6220	Healthy People/ Healthy Places	1
PUBH 7090	Capstone Seminar II	1
2 PUBH Electives		2
Course Units		4.00
Total Course Units		26.00

Course of Study for Urban Design (UDES) Concentration

Students in the Urban Design concentration take 5 CUs of concentration courses and 1 CPLN elective of their choosing. The Urban Design concentration includes a two week 0 CU summer workshop in August.

First Year

Fall		
Primary Program: City Planning ¹		
CPLN 5000	Introduction to City Planning: History, Theory and Practice	1
CPLN 5010	Quantitative Planning Analysis Methods	1
CPLN 5030	Modeling Geographical Objects	1
CPLN 6600	Fundamentals of Urban Design	2
Course Units		5.00
Spring		
Primary Program: City Planning ¹		
CPLN 5020	Urban Economics and Public Finance ²	1
CPLN 5040	Site Planning	1
CPLN 6000	Studio I	2
1 CPLN Elective		1
Course Units		5.00
Summer		
MCP Internship		
Course Units		0.00

Second Year

Fall		
Primary Program: Public Health ¹		
PUBH 5010	Introduction to Biostatistics	1
PUBH 5040	Public Health Theories & Frameworks	1
PUBH 5060	Methods for Public Health Practice	1
PUBH 5070	Public Health Law & Ethics	1
Course Units		4.00
Spring		
Primary Program: Public Health ¹		
PUBH 5020	Introduction to the Principles and Methods of Epidemiology	1
PUBH 5050	Public Health Policy & Administration	1
PUBH 7080	Capstone Seminar I	1
1 PUBH Elective		1
Course Units		4.00

Summer

MPH Applied Practice Experience (APE)		
Course Units		0.00

Third Year

Fall		
Primary Program: Public Health ¹		
CPLN 7010	Planning Studio (or other 7000-level studio)	2
2 PUBH Electives		2
Course Units		4.00
Spring		
Primary Program: City Planning ¹		
CPLN 6220	Healthy People/ Healthy Places	1
CPLN 7600	Urban Design Capstone Studio	2

PUBH 7090	Capstone Seminar II	1
Course Units		4.00
Total Course Units		26.00

Course of Study for Housing, Community and Economic Development (HCED) Concentration

Students in the Housing, Community and Economic Development concentration take 4 CUs of concentration courses and 2 CPLN electives of their choosing.

First Year

Fall		
Primary Program: City Planning ¹		
CPLN 5000	Introduction to City Planning: History, Theory and Practice	1
CPLN 5010	Quantitative Planning Analysis Methods	1
CPLN 5030	Modeling Geographical Objects	1
CPLN 5200	Introduction to Housing, Community and Economic Development	1
Course Units		4.00

Spring		
Primary Program: City Planning ¹		
CPLN 5020	Urban Economics and Public Finance ²	1
CPLN 6000	Studio I	2
2 CPLN Concentration Courses		2
Course Units		5.00

Summer		
MCP Internship		
Course Units		0.00

Second Year		
Fall		
Primary Program: Public Health ¹		
PUBH 5010	Introduction to Biostatistics	1
PUBH 5040	Public Health Theories & Frameworks	1
PUBH 5060	Methods for Public Health Practice	1

PUBH 5070	Public Health Law & Ethics	1
Course Units		4.00

Spring		
Primary Program: Public Health ¹		
PUBH 5020	Introduction to the Principles and Methods of Epidemiology	1
PUBH 5050	Public Health Policy & Administration	1
PUBH 7080	Capstone Seminar I	1
1 PUBH Elective		1
Course Units		4.00

Summer		
MPH Applied Practice Experience (APE)		
Course Units		0.00

Third Year		
Fall		
Primary Program: City Planning ¹		
CPLN 7010	Planning Studio (or other CPLN 7000-level studio)	2
2 CPLN Electives		2
1 PUBH Elective		1
Course Units		5.00

Spring		
Primary Program: Public Health ¹		
CPLN 6220	Healthy People/Healthy Places	1
CPLN 7200	Housing, Community and Economic Development Practicum	1
PUBH 7090	Capstone Seminar II	1
1 PUBH Elective		1
Course Units		4.00
Total Course Units		26.00

¹ Dual-degree students split their time being "primary" to each degree program. Primary Program indicates which school is considered "home school" for the student in a given semester. Billing and fees are governed by the Home School's tuition policies. School-based scholarships are distributed only in semesters when the student's primary program is the program awarding the scholarship. Deviation from the standard course of study can impact a student's overall tuition costs.

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² MCP students can fulfill the degree requirements by completing *either* CPLN 5020 or CPLN 5090, but the standard course of study outlines CPLN 5020 so as to avoid scheduling conflicts.