

# MPH KANSAS

*A joint Master of Public Health degree program involving  
The University of Kansas and Wichita State University*

## **MPH Kansas Mission Statement**

MPH Kansas aims to be a nationally-recognized program of teaching, research, and service that primarily prepares health care practitioners and provides opportunities for health care providers and researchers to develop and apply individual and population-based approaches to improving the public health in Kansas, the region and the nation.

MPH Kansas was awarded national accreditation on October 3, 1998, by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH), the accrediting agency for public health programs.

MPH Kansas is a joint degree program involving the University of Kansas and Wichita State University. It is designed to meet the needs of working health care professionals in the state who complete the degree on a part-time basis. The program is unique since the degree may be completed entirely at one of the two institutions, through credit hours earned at both sites. KU and WSU each grant the MPH degree, and graduates receive a diploma that lists both institutions.

MPH Kansas is a 36 credit-hour program with thesis and practicum options. The MPH student must complete 15 core course hours. Competencies in the five basic public health specialty areas will be provided by the core course work in: Environmental Health, Epidemiology, Public Health Administration, Biostatistics, and the Social and Behavioral Sciences.

The student's capstone experience consists of six credit hours. Both the thesis and practicum project are designed to serve as the demonstration of proficiency in, and the ability to integrate, the curriculum.

## **MPH SKILLS ARE USED TO:**

- ◆ Access health characteristics and risk factors in populations
- ◆ Plan, implement and evaluate an intervention to improve the health of a population
- ◆ Incorporate preventive practices into care of individual patients
- ◆ Investigate an outbreak of disease or symptoms in a population
- ◆ Conduct research, evaluate health outcomes
- ◆ Use appropriate data to formulate public health policy

## **JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR MPH GRADUATES INCLUDE:**

- ◆ Hospital Administration
- ◆ Health Departments
- ◆ Academic Teaching and Research
- ◆ Population-Based Medical Practice
- ◆ Occupational Health and Safety
- ◆ International Health
- ◆ Environmental Health Sciences
- ◆ Health Policy

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