

Coordinated MS in Nutrition Sciences, Dietetic Internship / Clinical Track/Master of Public Health

This coordinated (MPH/MS) degree program is offered through the UAB School of Health Professions, Department of Nutrition Sciences and the UAB School of Public Health. MPH focus courses may be customized to the experience and needs of the student.

Drawing upon its distinguished history and a multidisciplinary team of physician-scientists, PhD scientists, registered/licensed dietitians, and nurses working together in patient care, research, and education programs; the MS in Nutrition Sciences, Dietetic Internship/Clinical Track offers an accelerated Master of Science degree from the Department of Nutrition Sciences that enables students to sit for the national exam to become a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN). This accredited program is offered on-campus or off-campus and combines supervised clinical practice with online graduate coursework. The MPH at the UAB School of Public Health prepares students for careers to improve the health and well being of individuals, families, communities and populations, locally and globally. This complementary MS/MPH dual coordinated degree program provides students with a fuller and richer perspective of community and global health issues including the epidemiology of disease, health behavior, the impact of environmental and occupational factors on patient health, disease progression, management of disease states, insurance policy issues, patient access to care, as well as social, legal and ethical issues.

Curriculum

Students must complete the MPH Core plus 7 credit hours of MPH focus courses for a total of 30 credit hours in addition to the required MS in Nutrition curriculum requirements. 12 credit hours from the MS in Nutrition curriculum are credited toward the MPH degree for a total of 42 MPH credit hours. Students may complete the MPH degree program totally online, in class, or through a mix of online and in class experiences.

Requirements	Hours
MPH Core Requirements: (14 hours)	
PUH 601 This is Public Health	1
PUH 602 Community Assessment	3
PUH 603 Quantitative Methods in Public Health	3
PUH 604 Programs and Policies	3
PUH 605 Public Health Management and Evaluation	3
PUH 606 Leadership for Evidence-Based Public Health	1
MPH Degree Requirement: (1 hour)	
ENH 690 Environmental Health Perspectives	1
Population Health Degree Requirement: (3 hours)	
PUH 610 Population Health	3
Approved Electives: (7 hours)	
Select 7 credit hours of Public Health 600-699 level courses	7
Applied Practice Experience: (3 hours)	

NTR 589	Internship Practicum	1-12
Integrative Learning Experience: (2 hours)		
HB 689	Health Behavior Integrative Learning Experience	2
or ENH 689	Environmental Health Sciences Integrative Learning Experience	
or EPI 689	Epidemiology Integrative Learning Experience	
or HPO 689	HPO Integrative Learning Experience	
Total SOPH Hours:		30
Shared Hours from NTR Curriculum: (12 hours)		
NTR 621	Applied Statistics to Nutrition Sciences I	3
NTR 690	Seminar	2
NTR 637	Applied Research in Nutrition Sciences	3
NTR 500	Communications in Nutrition	1
NTR 601	Advanced Medical Nutrition	3
Total Hours Earned for MPH Degree:		42