Master of Public Health (MPH) Program

Admission Requirements
Eligible candidates for admission to the program will include experienced health professionals and University of Manitoba Public Health and Preventive Medicine Residents. Recommendation for admission to the Faculty of Graduate Studies will be based on an assessment of a student’s academic record and related work experience.

MPH students are expected to have a minimum of three years experience working in a health related field. There will be an Admissions selection process, conducted by the Departmental Graduate Studies Committee, involving the review of a completed application form, personal letter of interest, reference letters, and possibly an interview. Selection criteria will include the degree of fit between the applicant’s career plans/aspirations and the range of training options offered, as well as other merit-based criteria such as relevance and depth of work experience in the health sector.

The following represent the standard minimum undergraduate degree requirements for admission to the MPH program: a Medical Doctor degree or equivalent (e.g. M.B. Ch.B.), a 4-year arts or science degree, or a degree from a 4-year health or health-related professional university programs such as dentistry, veterinary medicine, nursing, medical rehabilitation, nutrition, pharmacy, social work, and education.

Structure of the Program
The general regulations established by the Faculty of Graduate Studies (FGS) govern the CHS graduate degree programs. In addition, the Department has a set of supplemental regulations. Students should review both sets of regulations.

The MPH program is designed to attract high-caliber students wishing to further their training in applied community health at the Master’s level, but not wishing to pursue a thesis-based Master’s degree. Training provides core and elective knowledge and skills in community health and public health practice relevant to career plans through traditional course work and a supervised field placement opportunity. The field placement component provides the opportunity to apply academic knowledge and skills most relevant for future career development in a supervised setting.

The MPH program requires completion of thirty (30) credit-hours of 7000-level courses. All students must complete an approved field placement in a governmental or non-governmental community health agency. The field placement will include a minimum of three months full-time equivalent spent on-site, and completion of a project and written report. The field placement is a zero (0) credit hour component.