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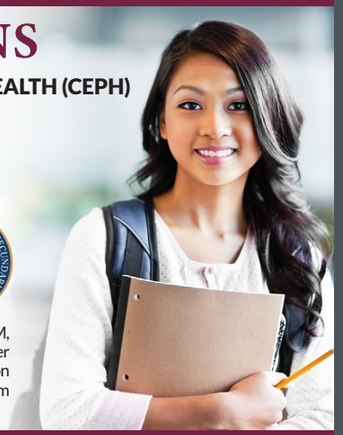

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WHAT IS PUBLIC HEALTH?

Public Health is defined as "the art and science of preventing disease, prolonging life and promoting health through the organized efforts of society" (Acheson, 1988; WHO).

WHAT IS THE ROLE OF A PUBLIC HEALTH PROFESSIONAL?

As a public health professional, you will be trained to perform one or more of the following tasks:

- Monitor, diagnose and investigate the health status of a community to identify potential problems.
- Inform, educate, and empower people about health issues.
- Mobilize community partnerships to identify and solve health problems.
- Develop policies and plans that support individual and community health efforts.
- Enforce laws and regulations that protect health and ensure safety.
- Promote equitable access to health services.
- Evaluate effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of individual and population-based health services.
- Develop research for new insights and innovative solutions to health problems.

WHERE CAN YOU WORK WITH A MASTER IN PUBLIC HEALTH (MPH)?

A public health degree opens the door to work in diverse settings such as:

- State and local health departments or agencies
- Nonprofits and community organizations
- Health care organizations and hospitals
- Private sector companies, such as health insurances and pharmaceutical companies
- Colleges and universities

MISSION, VISION AND GOALS

VISION: To transform in a positive way the health and education of Puerto Rico communities.

MISSION: To provide a high-quality education with a multidisciplinary curriculum focused on service and research to prepare future public health professionals with the necessary competencies to address public health issues in Puerto Rico.

GOALS: **Education:** To provide a multidisciplinary education to develop professionals with the competencies to address public health issues. **Research:** To conduct research to contribute to advance knowledge in the public health field. **Service:** To promote underserved communities' health through public health initiatives.

WHY STUDY PUBLIC HEALTH AT SJBSM?

- Licensed by the Puerto Rico Board of Post-Secondary Institutions.
- Accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE).
- Accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH).
- Evening program that offers distance education and face to face teaching methodologies.
- Guided by the Council on Education for Public Health competencies and the introductory public health learning objectives.
- Highlights Epidemiology and Biostatistics disciplines through the curriculum.
- Facilities with computers focused on statistical software and data management solutions.
- Applied practice experience in community-based settings.
- Integrated learning experience through a research project to produce a high-quality scientific manuscript.
- Engage students, faculty and staff in activities that promote the wellbeing of underserved populations.
- Community partnerships to support students' learning experiences.
- Diverse and highly qualified faculty from different health fields, such as, public health, education, administration, psychology, counseling, and natural sciences.

HOW TO APPLY?

Deadline to submit a complete application is July15.
Financial aid available for qualified students.

APPLICANT MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING ADMISSION CRITERIA:

- Have a Bachelor's degree from a university or college licensed and accredited by corresponding agencies, with a minimum GPA of 2.50.
- Fluency in Spanish and ability to read and understand English.

SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:

- Admission Application Form https://sjbsmsonis.jenzabarcloud.com/createapp1.cfm?app=8
- Application fee of $100.00, non-refundable.
- Official transcript from all undergraduate and graduate institutions attended (must be sent directly from the institution of origin).
- Two letters of recommendation that address the applicant development and performance at the academic and/or professional level and/or research experience and/or community service.*
- Certificate of Good Standing (Certificado de Antecedentes Penales-Negativo)
- Personal statement or essay explaining interest in studying a MPH degree.*
- Curriculum Vitae or Resume

ATTEND A PERSONAL INTERVIEW

- Qualified applicants will be invited.

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CURRICULAR SEQUENCE

THE ONLY MPH PROGRAM IN PUERTO RICO TO OFFER IN PERSON (20%) AND DISTANCE (80%) EVENING COURSES.

The SJBSM Master of Public Health is a two-year evening program consisting of 58 credits hours distributed in six (6) quarters and a summer session. The program has a total of 21 courses, of which seventeen (17) are offered through a synchronous distance education modality and four (4) in a face-to-face modality. Courses are offered Monday through Thursday from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

FIRST YEAR

QUARTER (AUGUST- OCTOBER)		TOTAL CREDITS 8
MPH 3101	Fundamentals in Public Health	2
MPH 3205	Environmental Perspectives in Public Health	2
MPH 5401	Behavioral Science in Public Health	2
MPH 5611	Global Health	2
QUARTER (NOVEMBER- FEBRUARY)		**TOTAL CREDITS 8**
MPH 3102	Statistical Methods I	3
MPH 3102-L	Laboratory of Statistical Methods I	1
MPH 3103	Epidemiologic Methods I & II	4
QUARTER (MARCH-MAY)		**TOTAL CREDITS 8**
MPH 7304	Epidemiology in Public Health Practice	3
MPH 7202	Inferential Statistics	3
MPH 5103	Surveillance in Public Health	2
SUMMER SESSION (JUNE-JULY)		**TOTAL CREDITS 8**
MPH 5321	Health Promotion & Disease Prevention	2
MPH 5301	Strategic Management of Health Services	3
MPH 7201	Implementation, Monitoring and Evaluation of Community Health Programs	3

SECOND YEAR

QUARTER (AUGUST-OCTOBER)		TOTAL CREDITS 9
MPH 9406	Integrated Learning Experience I (Field Work Phase I)	5
MPH 5602	EBPH – Applied Practice Experience	2
MPH 5101	Public Health Politics and Resource Allocation	2
QUARTER (NOVEMBER-FEBRUARY)		**TOTAL CREDITS 9**
MPH 5201	Ethics and Public Health Law	3
MPH 5304	Public Health Informatics	2
MPH 9506	Integrated Learning Experience II (Field Work Phase II)	4
QUARTER (MARCH-MAY)		**TOTAL CREDITS 8**
MPH 5601	Urbanism in Public Health	2
MPH 9606	Integrated Learning Experience III (Field Work Phase III)	6