

MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH

Master of Public Health

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The 42-credit Master of Public Health program at Montclair State University prepares culturally and professionally competent leaders in community health education by providing an interdisciplinary academic and experiential program with a focus on social justice.

The program offers a fall start date only, and has the following deadlines. After the deadline applications will be reviewed on a space-available basis:

- Early action – December 15th (Decision by January 29th)
- Regular – March 15th

Concentrations Include

- **Community health education** – aims to prepare public health professionals to protect and enhance the health and well-being of populations through health promotion and disease prevention initiatives.
- **Health systems administration and policy** - aims to prepare public health professionals with strategic skills for the management and administration of hospitals and healthcare systems with a focus on prevention and in service of social justice and health equity

“ This program of study has taught me to think beyond the status quo and strive for culturally competent solutions to real-world problems. The faculty who teach in this program are top-notch and are very responsive to their students; they go out of their way to help their students succeed both academically and professionally . . . [B]ecause my [interests] were not [oriented toward] a traditional public health setting, the faculty allowed me to research “outside the box” topics, such as federal laws pertaining to emergency public health response. The flexibility of the faculty embodied the very essence of graduate level education: Pursue your passion, delve into it, and make a difference.

Jeff

Class of 2012

\$63,000 average salary for health education specialists

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics 2024

#81 top public schools

U.S. News & World Report 2025, Top Public Colleges and Universities

19 kilometers from New York City

120+ student clubs and organizations

Program Highlights

- Outstanding faculty and mentorship opportunities
- Close proximity to the NYC job market
- Designed to accommodate students from varying backgrounds
- Small class sizes
- Can be completed in minimum of two years (with summer courses), or five semesters
- Practiced-oriented
- Population health-focused
- Commitment to social justice and reduction of health disparities

Career Outcomes

Graduates of our program are prepared for careers as practitioners and leaders in a diverse array of public health settings, such as local and state government, public and private health agencies, voluntary and community-based organizations, schools, healthcare institutions, and policy and advocacy organizations.

Though some of them have now moved up or on from these positions, here are some of the jobs our students obtained after graduating from our program:

- HIV Project Officer
- Program Specialist
- Community Health Educator
- Emergency Management Specialist
- Vice President of Community Outreach and Outcomes
- Public Health Fellow
- Health Advisor
- Director of Ambulatory Care Services
- Vaccine Program Assistant
- Associate Director of Program Services and Public Affairs
- Clinical Dietitian and Heart Health Coordinator

Sample Courses

This **42-credit program** consists of many course options to choose from that will help you gain the skills and knowledge you need to help you succeed in your future career.

- Public Health Seminar: Foundations, Ethics, and Cultural Competency
- Determinants of Environmental Health
- Behavioral and Social Science in Health 1
- Foundations of Epidemiology
- Health Policy and Politics
- Program Planning and Evaluation
- Applied Program Planning and Evaluation
- Structures of Inequality in Public Health
- Community Health Education Methods, Application, and Practice
- Special Topics in Health
- Health Systems Research
- Structures of Inequality in Public Health
- Health Systems Administration and Management
- Health Economics and Finance

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Admission Requirements

- Application
- Application fee
- Official NACES transcript evaluation
- Official English proficiency test score
- Statement of purpose
- Resume
- Two letters of recommendation
- GRE (waived for applicants with a minimum GPA of 2.75/4.0 or for anyone with a previous master's degree)

