Master of Public Health
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“Creating Public Health Leaders for Tomorrow”
About Public Health

The transition of diseases from communicable to non-communicable has been experienced in most parts of the world. Age-old problems of mother and child deaths, malnutrition, malaria and TB, despite noteworthy improvements, are still posing a challenge in many parts of the world, including in India. Simultaneously, lifestyle diseases like hypertension, diabetes, psychosis, and accidents are rapidly increasing, both in urban and rural areas. Added to this dual burden, are possible epidemics of emerging (Swine flu, Bird flu) and re-emerging infections (Plague, Cholera), creating enormous challenges to the health system, as we have seen through the COVID-19 pandemic. It has become evident that these challenges cannot be managed through curative services alone. Strengthening health systems by bringing together expertise from a range of disciplines – medicine, social sciences, management, engineering, information technology – is the need of the hour. Efficient management of health programmes and systems by specially qualified public health managers is the key to address these challenges. The recent pandemic has reinforced the need for well-trained public health professionals to strengthen public health systems.

Unfortunately, India has a dearth of manpower trained in public health. IIPHG, the first public health university of India, aims to train public health professionals from all over the world who would be relevant to the unique public health needs of India, and of other countries that face similar challenges.

Master of Public Health (MPH) Programme in IIPHG

The MPH programme offered by IIPHG is a two-year, full time programme aimed at bridging the gap in public health manpower. It has been designed to help participants acquire skills to examine and respond to current and future public health challenges. The programme has a multi-disciplinary curriculum – public health management, epidemiology, biostatistics, demography, social behavioural sciences in health, health promotion, health economics, health financing health policy. The programme is delivered using a variety of teaching/learning techniques, e.g.; lectures, case discussions, practical exercises, lab work, field visits, seminars, journal clubs, group discussions, assignments, internships, and dissertation.

Faculty

IIPHG has 18 full-time faculty members with medical, public health, pharmaceuticals, management, finance and social science backgrounds. All of them have advanced qualifications from reputed Indian and/or foreign universities. Additionally, a number of visiting/adjunct faculty from India abroad contribute to IIPHG’s teaching programmes. Public health experts from governmental non-governmental organisations are also invited to deliver sessions at IIPHG.

Career Prospects after MPH

The MPH degree opens up avenues to a career in public health, so as to enable graduates to contribute to the improvement of health and welfare of populations. Potential employers include multilateral and bilateral organisations like World Health Organisation, UNICEF, various state/central government departments, national and international non-governmental organisations (NGOs), industry-supported (CSR) foundations, academic/research institutions, hospitals, health insurance companies, and allied health organisations. One can also opt for higher studies in public health in India or abroad. The placement cell at IIPHG facilitates students to find suitable placements.

Eligibility

The course is open to candidates with a bachelor’s degree in any discipline from a recognised university in India or abroad, with at least 50% marks. Public health being a multidisciplinary area, students from diverse academic backgrounds e.g.; medicine, dentistry, physiotherapy, AYUSH, nursing, other paramedical and veterinary sciences, management, natural sciences (including biology), social sciences and social work, engineering, law, commerce or accounting, communication, etc. can apply. Relevant work experience in health and development sector will be an advantage but is not mandatory.
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Admission Process

Selection of applicants will be based on educational qualification, marks obtained in board/university exams, work experience, and performance in personal interview, essay writing, and group discussion.

Programme Fees

- **Indian nationals** (including Nepal & Bhutan): Rs. 2,40,000 per annum
- **SAARC country students**: US$ 5000 per annum
- **International students**: US$ 6,600 per annum.

(Fees does not include cost of hostel and food, books, stationery, dissertation and convocation, etc.)

Hostel fees

Rs. 27,600 per semester (Mess fees separate). 140 single-occupancy, non-AC hostel rooms with attached toilet and balcony are available. Limited Hostel facility is available with separate hostel blocks for girls and boys.

Scholarships

Limited number of scholarships may be awarded to deserving and meritorious candidates, subject to availability of funds. Please visit PHFI/IIPHG website for more details on scholarships.

Number of Seats: 90

Last date of application: 31st May, 2022

How to Apply

- Fill the application form online at [www.iiphg.edu.in](http://www.iiphg.edu.in) (Preferred application mode)
- If unable to apply online: Download the application form from the above website, fill it and e-mail the scanned copy to mph_admission@iiphg.org or post/hand deliver to Assistant Registrar–(Academic Programmes) (detailed address at the end of the brochure).
- Deposit Rs. 500 (US$10 for International & SAARC candidates) as application fees through Demand Draft/NEFT/RTGS (Bank details in application form)
- Interested candidates may contact Assistant Registrar–(Academic Programmes) to visit the University and interact with faculty for more information.

MPH Programme Curriculum

- **Core Courses**
  - Introduction to Public Health
  - Social and Behavioural Sciences in Health
  - Reproductive and Child Health
  - Demography
  - Health Management
  - Environmental & Occupational Health
  - Biostatistics
  - Epidemiology
  - Public Health Nutrition
  - Programme Management
  - Communicable & Non Communicable Diseases
  - Disease Surveillance
  - Gender & Health
  - Research Methodology
  - Health Economics
  - Health Policy and Health Systems
  - National Health Programmes
  - Health Communication & Promotion
  - Health Financing and Insurance
  - Public Health Laws and Ethics in Research
  - Global Health

- **Electives Courses**
  - Advanced Qualitative research
  - Impact Evaluation
  - Systematic review and meta-analysis
  - Health Technology Assessment
  - Advance course in immunization
  - Laboratory Technologies
  - Nutrition Programme Planning in India
  - Advanced Biostatistics
  - Hospital Management
  - Field Epidemiology
  - Healthcare Leadership and Management

Unique Features of The MPH Programme

- Inter-disciplinary approach
- Use of innovative pedagogy
- Competency driven curriculum
- Focus on transformative learning
- Linkages with public health practice
- Exposure to workshops and Conferences
- Emphasis on problem solving, case based learning

Practical Linkages & Field Exposure

- Practical trainings in PH internship & dissertation
- Field visits to Public Health Facilities, NGO & Health systems

Professional And Personal Development

- Debate
- Professional Development Workshop
- Public Health Students Conclave
- Cultural Fest, Garba night
- Sports Week
- Cycling Excursion
- Photography Contest
About IIPHG

IIPHG was set up in 2008 by the Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI) and the Government of Gujarat as a joint initiative. In 2016, it moved to its new lush, green, 50 acres campus on the banks of river Sabarmati provided by the Govt. of Gujarat in Gandhinagar.

IIPHG is a pioneer institute in public health education, training, research and advocacy. The institute has the distinction of being awarded recognition as the first public health university in India (under IIPHG Act-2015 of Gujarat State). IIPHG has a number of research and implementation collaborations and MoUs with organisations and institutes of repute in India and abroad. IIPHG has collaborated with various Government partners like ICMR, DST, DBT, IMD, Govt. of Gujarat, and Govt. of Maharashtra. IIPHG has also worked with WHO, UNICEF, CARE Bihar and has inter national collaborations with University of Bonn, Germany, University of Canberra, Australia and NRDC, USA. IIPHG has a molecular biology laboratory which was established with support from DST. IIPHG has a rich research portfolio with more than 300 research papers published till now. A Student’s Innovations Center has been recently

Other Academic Programmes at IIPH Gandhinagar

On campus (Full-Time) Programmes

- Master of Hospital Administration (MHA) - Starts in August every year (2 years)
- Post Graduate Diploma in Public Health Management (PGDPHM) - Starts in August every year (1 year)
- Associate Fellow of Industrial Health (AFIH) - Starts in April every year (3 months)
- Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) programme - Starts in Jan & June every Year (5 Years)

Off campus (eLearning) Programmes

Various elearning courses are offered at IIPHG

Short Term Training Programmes

- Several short term training programmes are offered by IIPHG in the areas of research methods, epidemiology, statistics, health economics and finance, programme management, ergonomics, etc.
- So far, More than 2000 participants have undergone such training programmes at the Institute

Some of the employers of our Alumni

Contact Details

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