

INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL HEALTH



Kentucky Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.



What is it?

- The goal of global health is to improve public health and strengthen U.S. national security through global disease detection, response, prevention, and control strategies.
- Global health efforts in the U.S. help to:
 - Promote health around the world
 - Prevent the international spread of disease
 - Protect the health of the U.S. population



Roles and Responsibilities

- Global health impacts everyone. Therefore, global health professionals are directly responsible for the study and practice of population-level health interventions around the world.
- Focus on health within all countries, across borders, boundaries, and all socioeconomic statuses. Focus on health issues that transcend boundaries and that are important both domestically and internationally.
- Study large-scale epidemics, vaccines, treatments and other strategies for mitigating the spread of diseases.
- Collaborate with community leaders, relief organizations, governmental agencies and other groups to promote medical awareness and global health.
- Craft policies that help prepare for disease outbreaks
- Oversees programs that educate communities about effective treatment for diseases.



Academic Requirements

- Those interested in pursuing a career in global health often pursue undergraduate degrees in social sciences, public health, or in the allied health fields.
- The most widely held graduate degree among global health professionals is the Master of Public Health (MPH) with a concentration in global health.

Careers



- Public health professionals within the field of global health work for U.S. government agencies, public health agencies, nonprofit organizations, advocacy groups, academic institutions, and private businesses.
 - International non-governmental Aid Workers
 - Global Infectious Disease Analysts
 - HIV/AIDS Research Associates
 - Public Health Advisor
 - Epidemiologist
 - Health Scientist

Additional Resources

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Kentucky Undergraduate Schools

- [Eastern Kentucky University Admissions](#)
- [University of Kentucky Undergraduate Admissions](#)
- [University of Louisville Undergraduate Admissions](#)
- [Western Kentucky University Admissions](#)

Industry Websites

- [Organization of the CDC Center for Global Health](#)
- [U.S. Agency for International Development](#)
- [World Health Organization](#)

Note: The schools listed are in partnership with C4FH. Public Health education opportunities may be available at other colleges and universities.