

PUBLIC HEALTH, M.P.H. & LAW, J.D. DUAL DEGREE

Saint Louis University School of Law (<https://www.slu.edu/law>) and College for Public Health and Social Justice (<https://www.slu.edu/public-health-social-justice>) have partnered to offer students the dual Juris Doctor/Master of Public Health degrees in either a generalist track or a degree in health management and policy.

This custom degree fully prepares highly motivated individuals to work in the rewarding and challenging fields of law and public health. This program enables graduates to approach health and legal issues in an interdisciplinary manner. Recipients of the degree practice law in a variety of settings including governmental public health agencies, private law firms and non-profit institutions.

The program primarily aims to educate students to become preeminent leaders in the special legal needs of public health entities. The second aim is to expand advanced education in law and public health to all areas of the state of Missouri and the surrounding region.

A major benefit of this dual degree format is that students obtain both degrees more quickly than if obtained separately, roughly four years compared to five.

For additional information see the catalog entries for the following programs:

Law, J.D. (<http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/law/juris-doctor>)

Public Health, M.P.H. (<http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/public-health-social-justice/graduate-programs/public-health-mp>)

Accreditation

The Saint Louis University School of Law has been continuously accredited by the American Bar Association (ABA) since December 1924. The accrediting body is the Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar of the American Bar Association, 321 North Clark Street, Chicago, IL 60654, 312-988-6738.

The College for Public Health and Social Justice is fully accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH).

Most recent CEPH Self-Study - August 2017

Self-Study (<https://www.slu.edu>)

Admission

Students must meet the admission requirements and be admitted into both degree programs according to the processes of each of the participating academic units in order to pursue a dual degree program.

Individuals may apply to the Master of Public Health degree program concurrently with application to the School of Law or following admission to the School of Law; however, admission to the dual degree program is contingent upon admission to both the Master of Public Health and the J.D. degree programs.

Requirements

Six credits from the School of Law JD degree requirements will be used to satisfy M.H.P.-HMP degree elective requirements.

The courses used **must** be taken from the approved M.P.H.-HMP list. Approval for any LAW seminar course should be obtained from the M.P.H.-HMP advisor/program director **prior to** taking the course to ensure that it will be accepted.

Nine credits from the M.P.H.-HMP degree requirements will be used to satisfy J.D. degree requirements. J.D. advisor approval is required.

HMP 5000 Health Care Organization (3 cr) fulfills the MPH core requirement for Health Management and Policy.

LAW 8000 Health Care Law (3 cr) substitutes for HMP 5510 Health Policy & Law (3 cr)

PUBH 5070 Translating Evidence and Theory for Community Practice (3 cr) is taken in Semester 3 or 4 depending on participation in JD Washington DC semester.

Students pursuing the J.D./M.P.H. must complete between 117 and 121 credits, depending upon the area of concentration. All students pursuing a J.D./M.P.H. must also complete an internship in Public Health.

Continuation Standards

Students must maintain a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 in all graduate/professional courses.

Roadmap

Roadmaps are recommended semester-by-semester plans of study for programs and assume full-time enrollment unless otherwise noted.

Courses and milestones designated as critical (marked with !) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation. Transfer credit may change the roadmap.

This roadmap should not be used in the place of regular academic advising appointments. All students are encouraged to meet with their advisor/mentor each semester. Requirements, course availability and sequencing are subject to change.

M.P.H. with Health Management and Policy Concentration

Course	Title	Credits
Year One		
Fall		
!LAW 7000	Civil Procedure I	2
!LAW 7005	Criminal Law	3
!LAW 7010	Contracts I	3
!LAW 7015	Torts	4
!LAW 7020	Legal Research and Writing I	3
!LAW 7040	Introduction to Legal Studies I	0.5
	Credits	15.5
Spring		
!LAW 7001	Civil Procedure II	3
!LAW 7011	Contracts II	2
!LAW 7021	Legal Research and Writing II	3

!LAW 7025	Constitutional Law I	3
!LAW 7030	Property	4
!LAW 7041	Introduction to Legal Studies II	0.5
Credits		15.5

Year Two

Fall

!HMP 5000	Health Care Organization	3
!HMP 5500	Health Policy	3
!PUBH 5010	Mission and Practice of Global Public Health	2
!PUBH 5040	Generating Evidence from Public Health Data	3
!LAW 8000	Health Care Law	3
Credits		14

Spring

! LAW Courses		7
!HMP 5200	Health Economics	3
!HMP 5720	Government Financing of Health Care	3
!PUBH 5030	Methodological Approaches to Understanding Population Health	3
Credits		16

Summer

HMP 5910	Internship	3
Credits		3

Year Three

Fall

! Law Courses		9
!HMP 5300	Management of Health Care Organizations	3
!PUBH 5060	Environmental and Biological Determinants of Health	2
PUBH 5070	Translating Evidence and Theory for Community Practice [§]	
Credits		14

Spring

Students choose one of the following options:	13-14
J.D. Washington D.C. Semester (14 credits)	

Or

Law Courses (10 credits) &		
PUBH 5070	Translating Evidence and Theory for Community Practice (if not participating in J.D. Washington D.C. Semester) [§]	
Credits		13-14

Summer

JD Summer Experience		
Credits		0

Year Four

Fall

Law Courses		13
!HCE 5020	Ethical Issues in Public Health	2
Credits		15

Spring

Law Courses		9
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!HMP 5210	Economic Evaluation	3
PUBH 5950	Special Study for Examinations [†]	0
!PUBH 5960	Capstone in Public Health Practice	3
Credits		15
Total Credits		121-122

- ¹ **PUBH 5040:** Completing SPSS tutorials required prior to first class. Tutorials available on SLU Blackboard. Students in the Biostatistics concentration will take BST 5020 in place of PUBH 5040.
 - ² **PUBH 5050:** Students in the Health Management and Policy concentration and the Public Health Practice concentration will take HMP 5000 in place of PUBH 5050.
 - ³ **PUBH 5070:** Students in the Behavioral Science and Health Education concentration and the Global Health concentration will take BSH 5400 in place of PUBH 5070.
 - ⁴ **PUBH 5910:** Internship/Practice Experience Mentor approval required. Students in the Health Management and Policy concentration will take HMP 5910 in place of PUBH 5910.
 - ⁵ **PUBH 5950:** Registration in this class indicates student has completed coursework required to sit for the CPH exam in the spring semester.
- [§] Either taken 3rd Year Fall, if participating in JD Washington D.C. semester, or 3rd Year Spring