

GLOBAL HEALTH CONCENTRATION

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Students in the traditional two-year M.P.H., Advanced Professional M.P.H., and B.A.-B.S./M.P.H. programs may complete this concentration while they satisfy the requirements of their respective departments or programs.

The multidisciplinary approach of the Global Health Concentration (GHC) encourages creativity and innovation, while fostering a global perspective on public health. The concentration emphasizes an integrative, problem-solving approach to global health issues and to diseases and conditions that afflict low- and middle-income countries. Students who complete this concentration will be well prepared for positions in a variety of sectors/organizations – public and private, national, bilateral and multilateral – dedicated to global health challenges.

All students in the GHC will complete five global health course units and a global health-focused internship. The internship must be conducted in a low- to middle-income country during the summer between the first and second years of the M.P.H. program. If students have already had 10–12 weeks of previous global health experience, they can do an internship based in the United States or another high-income country as long as it is pertinent to global health; otherwise, they must do an internship abroad. This alternative option must be approved by the GHC office prior to the start of the internship. All YSPH students conducting an international internship must complete the International Pre-Departure Preparation Workshop held in the spring term of their first year. Students are strongly encouraged to write a global health-related thesis (as determined by their department/program).

CONCENTRATION REQUIREMENTS

EPH 520	Summer Internship - non-APE ¹	0
or EPH 521	Summer Internship - APE	
EPH 591	Global Health Seminar (taken in first year)	0
EPH 595	Global Health Foundations: Principles and Applications	1
And one of the following capstone courses:		
EPH 557	Evidence-Based Decision-Making in Global Health	1
HPM 575	Evaluation of Global Health Policies and Programs ²	1

¹ The internship must be global health-related in a low- to middle-income country

² HPM 575 can be taken as an elective if EPH 557 is taken as capstone.

Students must also take three elective global health courses selected from at least two of the seven perspectives on public health. The seven perspectives on public health are: (1) biomedicine, (2) epidemiology, (3) psychosocial/social and behavioral/anthropology, (4) development/political economy, (5) ethics/history/humanities, (6) implementation science, and (7) environmental health sciences. A list of courses offered in each of the seven areas is available on the GHC website: <https://ysph.yale.edu/myysph/curriculum/ MPH/GHC/electives>. Please note that all courses listed may not be offered each term. Students pursuing the GHC may also propose courses not listed

here as potential GHC electives. In this case, students must complete the required approval form, which is available on the GHC Campus Groups page. Requests must be approved before the YSPH add/drop deadline. Upon receiving the form, the YSPH GHC program will let the student know if the course meets GHC elective requirements.

COMPETENCIES

Each student in the Global Health Concentration will master the core curriculum competencies and the competencies for the student's department/program. In addition, upon receiving an M.P.H. degree in the Global Health Concentration, the student will be able to:

- Describe the global burden of disease patterns across world regions and population characteristics.
- Analyze the roles, relationships, and resources influencing the United States' role in global health governance and infrastructure.
- Propose sustainable, evidence-based solutions to address key global health challenges.
- Apply ethical approaches in global health research and practice.
- Apply monitoring and evaluation techniques to global health programs, policies, or outcomes.
- Display skills in applying research to global health policy and practice.