

# DOCTOR OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE/CERTIFICATE (DO/CERT) OR MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH (DO/MPH)

## Certificate Admissions Requirements Doctorate of Osteopathic Medicine/ Certificate (DO/CERT) in Public Health Admissions Requirements

In partnership with the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC), Kansas City University and Marian University Doctorate of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) students may pursue a Certificate in Public Health. DO students must apply for the certificate program in the first year of their DO enrollment and will complete the certificate during the first two years of the DO program.

The 15-credit hour certificate will allow DO students to gain basic skills and knowledge in public health to better address the health needs of individuals and populations. See a full description of the certificate program in the UNMC catalog (<http://catalog.unmc.edu/public-health/academic-programs/certificates/public-health/>).

The certificate is awarded by UNMC. All application, admission, course registration, and awarding of certificate is coordinated through UNMC.

DO students that would like to apply for the Certificate in Public Health must receive approval from their respective DO program.

To apply for the certificate program, all materials must be received by the application deadline of November 1.

Admission requirements are:

- Completion of the SOPHAS Express Public Health application (<https://sophasexpress.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login>) and submission of the application fee
- Official transcripts reflecting an earned bachelor's degree and all transcripts from previously attended institutions
- *All non-US transcripts must be evaluated by the World Education Service (WES) using their ICAP Course-by course evaluation service*
- Letters of Recommendation
  - One letter must be from a designated DO program representative. Contact the admissions office for more details.
- A one-page resume/cv
- A one-page personal statement
- All applicants whose primary language is not English or whose undergraduate degree is from a college or university outside of the United States are required to submit official Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) scores.

For complete details regarding the application to the certificate program, please contact the University of Nebraska Medical Center, College of Public Health at 402.552.9867 or visit the admissions website (<https://www.unmc.edu/publichealth/admissions/certificate/pha.html>).

## MPH Admissions Requirements Doctorate of Osteopathic Medicine/ Master of Public Health (DO/MPH) Admissions Requirements

Kansas City University or Marian University medical students enrolled in the Certificate of Public Health program may choose to pursue the Master of Public Health degree program at the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC). The dual degree program allows DO students to complete both the DO and MPH degrees in four years.

The DO-MPH dual degree program prepares students to better understand and address health issues on a population level and expand job opportunities. Career options for DO-MPH students are wide-ranging.

Students can pursue an MPH in all concentration areas offered as online options in the MPH degree. The 15 credit hours from the Certificate in Public Health and up to 9 credit hours (depending on concentration) from the DO program will apply toward the MPH degree. All credit hours applied to the MPH program must meet minimum standards for transfer credit and satisfactory academic progress. See a full description of the MPH program in the UNMC catalog (<http://catalog.unmc.edu/public-health/academic-programs/master-of-public-health/>).

The MPH degree program is awarded by UNMC. All application, admission, course registration, and awarding of MPH degree is coordinated through UNMC.

To apply into the MPH degree program, DO students must complete the certificate program and submit their application in their second year of medical school by June 1.

Admission requirements are:

- Completion of the SOPHAS Express Public Health application (<https://sophasexpress.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login>) and submission of the application fee
- Official transcripts reflecting an earned bachelor's degree and all transcripts from previously attended institutions
- *All non-US transcripts must be evaluated by the World Education Service (WES) using their ICAP Course-by course evaluation service*
- Letters of recommendation
  - One letter must be from a designated DO program representative. Contact the admissions office for more details.
- A one-page resume/cv
- A one-page personal statement
- ***This requirement is waived for applicants that have successfully completed the Certificate in Public Health and two years of the DO program.*** All applicants whose primary language is not English or whose undergraduate degree is from a college or university outside of the United States are required to submit official Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) scores.

For complete details regarding the application to the MPH program, please contact the University of Nebraska Medical Center, College of Public Health at 402.552.9867 or visit the admissions website (<https://www.unmc.edu/publichealth/admissions/masterofpublichealth/>).

## Curriculum

Code	Title	Credit Hours
CPH 500	FOUNDATIONS OF PUBLIC HEALTH	3
CPH 504	EPIDEMIOLOGY IN PUBLIC HEALTH	3
CPH 506	BIostatISTICS	3
CPH 514	PLANNING AND EVALUATION	3
CPH 539	PUBLIC HEALTH: LEADERSHIP AND ADVOCACY	3
CPH 528	APPLIED PRACTICE EXPERIENCE	3
CPH 529	CAPSTONE EXPERIENCE	3

All concentrations are included and the concentration course requirements must be met. Electives for the MPH will be accepted from the DO program. To apply elective to the completion of the MPH degree, a KCU transcript with updated course grades, must be sent to [hpeshek@unmc.edu](mailto:hpeshek@unmc.edu) with graduation application for electives to be accepted.

Students must complete the Certificate in Public Health before applying for the MPH.