



UNIVERSITY OF
LIVERPOOL

MPH

Master of Public Health (Global Health Pathway)

Study mode

Full-time

Part-time

Duration

12 months

24 months

Apply by: **28 August 2026**

Starts on: **21 September 2026**

About this course

Our new Global Public Health pathway offers a critical, in-depth overview of public health challenges that transcend national and species boundaries through a critical analysis of their epidemiological, socio-economic, cultural, and political determinants. Students are provided with the conceptual and applied skills to critically analyse and evaluate the interconnected and dynamic nature of global public health issues.

Introduction

The Pathway brings together experts on international and global health issues with professional experience across the humanitarian, epidemiological, socio-economic, cultural, and policy-aligned determinants of health.

Tailor your learning experience

Choose from two distinct pathways to align with your career aspirations:

Master of Public Health (Global Public Health Pathway) MPH – Designed for those pursuing careers in global health settings.

Master of Public Health (MPH) – Focuses on public health competencies relevant to the UK healthcare landscape.

Programme highlights

- **Comprehensive multidisciplinary approach** – Learn how to collaborate effectively to address health inequalities by tackling social, economic, and

political determinants of health.

- **Critical global health analysis** – Understand how health inequalities emerge and persist across populations and systems.
- **Applied research training** – Gain hands-on experience in epidemiological and qualitative research methodologies to be applied to national and cross-national settings.
- **Evidence-based policy insights** – Explore how social science theories enhance global health strategies and solutions.

Career development and accreditation

The Global Health Pathway maintain the core components of the UK Faculty of Public Health specialty training curriculum, expanding them to include the critical understanding of contexts and determinants beyond national boundaries .

Graduates are well-positioned for leadership roles in global health and public health research, policy, and practice.

Who is this course for?

This programme is ideal for professionals from various backgrounds, including:

- Medicine, nursing, pharmacy, occupational therapy, and environmental health
- Health service management, policy, and planning
- Social sciences, natural sciences, and humanities
- Government agencies, NGOs, and community organisations.

It is also available to clinical students wishing to intercalate.

Flexible study options

The MPH modular format applies to the Global Health Pathway as well, allowing you to study at your own pace, whether you're pursuing a Postgraduate Certificate, Postgraduate Diploma, or full Master's degree. You can also take individual modules as Continuing Professional Development (CPD) courses. For more information, contact mph@liverpool.ac.uk.

What you'll learn

- The wider determinants of health and health inequalities their impact on different populations and regions
- Statistical and epidemiological techniques in public health
- Qualitative research methods for healthcare issues
- Application of social science theories to global health
- Principles of health protection and emerging health threats
- Evidence-based evaluation of healthcare interventions
- Strategies for global and cross-national health improvement
- Key influences on the evolution of global health systems.

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Course content

Discover what you'll learn, what you'll study, and how you'll be taught and assessed.

Semester one

Modules

Compulsory modules	Credits
<u>GLOBAL PUBLIC HEALTH (PUBH001)</u>	15
<u>EPIDEMIOLOGY AND STATISTICS FOR PUBLIC HEALTH I (PUBH110)</u>	15
<u>HEALTH IMPROVEMENT (PUBH130)</u>	15
<u>AN INTRODUCTION TO QUALITATIVE RESEARCH (PUBH160)</u>	15

Programme details and modules listed are illustrative only and subject to change.

Semester two

Modules

Compulsory modules	Credits
<u>HEALTH INEQUALITIES: EVIDENCE AND POLICY. (PUBH407)</u>	15
<u>HEALTH PROTECTION (PUBH220)</u>	15

Optional modules	Credits
<u>PLANETARY HEALTH (PUBH002)</u>	15
<u>HEALTH & SOCIETY (PUBH150)</u>	15

Programme details and modules listed are illustrative only and subject to change.

Final project

Please note, that students studying the Global pathway must complete their dissertation in the field of Global Public Health.

Modules

Compulsory modules	Credits
<u>DISSERTATION (PUBH300)</u>	60

Programme details and modules listed are illustrative only and subject to change.

Teaching and assessment

How you'll learn

The programme is taught using a combination of lectures, tutorials, group exercises, and self-directed study. The focus is on small group sizes and collaborative work, with an open learning approach where the emphasis is on interaction.

You'll typically attend for two days per week for full-time study for the first two semesters. Semester three is dedicated to your dissertation.

How you're assessed

You'll be assessed through a combination of individual written assignments, written examinations, group presentations and group reports. You will also

complete a dissertation.

Liverpool Hallmarks

We have a distinctive approach to education, the Liverpool Curriculum Framework, which focuses on research-connected teaching, active learning, and authentic assessment to ensure our students graduate as digitally fluent and confident global citizens.

The Liverpool Curriculum framework sets out our distinctive approach to education. Our teaching staff support our students to develop academic knowledge, skills, and understanding alongside our **graduate attributes**:

- Digital fluency
- Confidence
- Global citizenship

Our curriculum is characterised by the three **Liverpool Hallmarks**:

- Research-connected teaching
- Active learning
- Authentic assessment

All this is underpinned by our core value of **inclusivity** and commitment to providing a curriculum that is accessible to all students.

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Careers and employability

The Global Health pathway will particularly appeal to students who wish to develop public health or related careers in global settings such as working for the World Health Organisation, global health NGOs (for example CARE, Save the Children, World Vision, Medecins Sans Frontieres), or national level health and public health bodies.

Core modules of the MPH are mapped against the approved training programmes for Health Education North West (HENW). They're responsible for the commissioning and management of training and education for: NHS speciality registrars in public health, working towards a Certificate of Completion of Training and students who wish to go on to complete Membership of the Faculty of Public Health Medicine (MFPHM) Part A.

The programme provides a strong foundation for putting public health principles into practice in a variety of settings, including research, practice and policy.

As an MPH graduate, you can apply for senior positions in public health research, practice and policy. Suitable roles are varied, from working on community health improvement programmes to contributing to the prevention and control of infectious diseases.

You'll be well-placed to take on a management or leadership role working in:

- Governmental organisations
- Health services management
- Policy and planning
- Housing
- Transport
- Community groups
- Charities
- Non-governmental organisations.

On successful completion of the MPH, you could also choose to pursue further study at doctoral level.

Career support from day one to graduation and beyond

Career planning

From education to employment

Networking events

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Fees and funding

Your tuition fees, funding your studies, and other costs to consider.

Tuition fees

UK fees (applies to Channel Islands, Isle of Man and Republic of Ireland)

Full-time place, per year – £11,700

Part-time place, per year – £5,850

International fees

Full-time place, per year – £28,300

Part-time place, per year – £14,150

Fees stated are for the 2025/26 academic year. Tuition fees for the academic year 2026/27 will be announced soon.

Tuition fees cover the cost of your teaching and assessment, operating facilities such as libraries, IT equipment, and access to academic and personal support.

- You can [pay your tuition fees in instalments](#).
- All or part of your tuition fees can be [funded by external sponsorship](#).
- International applicants who accept an offer of a place will need to [pay a tuition fee deposit](#).

If you're a UK national, or have settled status in the UK, you may be eligible to apply for a Postgraduate Loan worth up to £12,167 to help with course fees and living costs. [Learn more about paying for your studies](#).

Additional costs

We understand that budgeting for your time at university is important, and we want to make sure you understand any course-related costs that are not covered by your tuition fee. This could include buying a laptop, books, or stationery.

Find out more about the [additional study costs](#) that may apply to this course.

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Entry requirements

The qualifications and exam results you'll need to apply for this course.

Postgraduate entry requirements

The Master of Public Health (MPH) programme is available to any applicant with a UK Honours degree with a minimum 2:2 or an equivalent international qualification.

We also encourage applications from students enrolled in clinical programs who wish to intercalate as part of their studies. These applicants must demonstrate successful completion of 3 years of a GMC/GDC recognised undergraduate basic medical education (medicine or dentistry) degree programme (e.g. MBChB).

Candidates who do not meet the formal academic requirements but possess substantial relevant professional experience will be considered on an individual basis by the Programme Director.

All applicants should be also able to demonstrate evidence of work experience (paid, voluntary, internships, etc.) relevant to public health.

All applicants will also need to provide a personal statement detailing why they wish to undertake the programme and how their work experience is relevant to the programme.

For international applicants, a minimum IELTS score of 7.0 is required, with no individual component scoring below 6.5, or an equivalent recognized qualification.

International qualifications

[Select your country or region to view specific entry requirements.](#)

Many countries have a different education system to that of the UK, meaning your qualifications may not meet our entry requirements. Completing your Foundation Certificate, such as that offered by the [University of Liverpool International College](#), means you're guaranteed a place on your chosen course.

English language requirements

You'll need to demonstrate competence in the use of English language, unless you're from a [majority English speaking country](#).

We accept a variety of [international language tests](#) and [country-specific qualifications](#).

International applicants who do not meet the minimum required standard of English language can complete one of our [Pre-Sessional English courses](#) to achieve the required level.

IELTS

7.0 overall, with no component below 6.5

TOEFL iBT

Minimum 100 overall with L 21 R 21 W 21 and S 23

Cambridge Proficiency

185-199

Pre-sessional English

Do you need to complete a Pre-sessional English course to meet the English language requirements for this course?

The length of Pre-sessional English course you'll need to take depends on your current level of English language ability.

Pre-sessional English in detail

If you don't meet our English language requirements, we can use your most recent IELTS score, or [the equivalent score in selected other English language tests](#), to determine the length of Pre-sessional English course you require.

Use the table below to check the course length you're likely to require for your current English language ability and see whether the course is available on campus or online.

Your most recent IELTS score	Pre-sessional English course length	On campus or online
6.5 overall, with no component below 6.5	6 weeks	On campus
6.5 overall, with no component below 6.0	10 weeks	On campus and online options available
6.5 overall, with no component below 5.5	12 weeks	On campus and online options available
6.0 overall, with no component below 5.5	20 weeks	On campus
5.5 overall, with no component below 5.0	30 weeks	On campus
5.0 overall, with no more than one component below 5.0, and no component below 4.5	40 weeks	On campus

If you've completed an alternative English language test to IELTS, we may be able to use this to assess your English language ability and determine the Pre-sessional English course length you require.

Please see our guide to [Pre-sessional English entry requirements](#) for IELTS 7.0 overall, with no component below 6.5, for further details.

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