University Admission Requirements

1. A baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution of higher education
2. Submission of all required admission materials, including:
   a. Completed graduate application for admission
   b. $30 nonrefundable application fee (unless you have previously applied to Grand Valley)
   c. Official transcripts from all institutions of higher education previously attended. Transcripts must be sent from those institutions directly to the GVSU Admissions Office. NOTE: We do not require official transcripts from Grand Valley
   d. For those whose native language is NOT English, scores from either the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) or CELT - Comprehensive English Language Test

MPH Program Admission Requirements

In addition to the University requirements of admission, all students seeking a degree for the Master of Public Health (MPH) must also meet the following requirements:

1. Grade point average of 3.0 from all undergraduate coursework
2. Recommendations: Two recommendations received. You can provide the emails of three references in your account at www.gvsu.edu/gradapply, and they will be sent a link to fill out for their online recommendation
3. Essay/Personal Statement: All applicants must provide a written statement that addresses both of the following questions.
   a. What would make you an excellent candidate for the Grand Valley State University MPH program?
   b. What are your expectations for a future career in Public Health (highlighting your emphasis area of interest)?

MPH Core Courses: (33 credits)

- PH 500 - Introduction to Public Health
- PH 505 - Social and Behavioral Public Health
- PH 510 – Public Health Epidemiology
- PH 520 – Environmental & Occupational Health
- PH 525 - Quantitative Research Methods in Public Health
- PH 530 - Qualitative Research Methods in Public Health
- PH 535 - Public Health Information Systems
- PH 540 - Public Health Law & Ethics
- PA 630 - Health Administration & Service
- PA 631 - U.S. Health Politics and Policy
- STA 610 – Biostatistics
- PH 693 – Master's Project (6-9 credits required)
  .....or PH 695 – Master's Thesis
- PH 688 – Practicum (global setting)
  .....or PH 699 – Practicum (local setting)

3 Track Options – Choose One

Epidemiology (21 credits)
- PH 600 - Advanced Quantitative Research Methods in Public Health
- PH 602 - Chronic Disease Epidemiology
- PH 604 - Epidemiology across the Lifespan: Women and Children
- PH 606 - Environmental/Occupational Epidemiology
- PH 608 - Infectious Disease Epidemiology
- PH 610 - Cancer Epidemiology

Health Promotion (21 credits)
- COM 624 – Health Communications
- PH 620 - Health Education
- PH 622 - Health Behavior & Promotion
- PH 626 - Health Advocacy & Literacy
- PH 628 - Health Program Evaluation
- PH 630 - Health and Disease Disparities in Diverse Communities
- PH 632 – Public Health Social Campaigning & Distribution

Public Health Administration (21 credits)
- PA 612 - Human Resources in Organizations
- PA 615 - Public Financial Administration
- PA 616 – Public Policy Analysis
- PA 640 - Marketing Health & Human Services
- PA 639 - Community Benefits, Assessment and Management
- PA 664 – Non-Profit Program Evaluation
- PA 674 - Health Advocacy/Built Environment in Public Administration

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