INTRODUCTION TO THE MAJOR

Public Health is the interdisciplinary science of preventing disease and injury to improve the health of communities and populations. Public health professionals work to identify solutions to address complex issues as wide ranging as air pollution, chronic disease, gun violence, infectious diseases, tobacco control and mental health.

The School of Public Health offers a major and summer minor that includes epidemiology, biostatistics, environmental health, and health policy. The curriculum prepares students to become changemakers in public health, for a more equitable and just world.

“I knew I was extremely passionate about health and healthcare, but I didn’t know exactly what role I wanted to pursue....The major allows you to explore and get a feel for what best fits you.”

– Mia Salvini, Class of 2020

THE UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

Undergraduate students in the College of Letters & Science can apply to the Public Health major after completing the lower division requirements. It is highly recommended to apply by the end of sophomore year. Students should also take steps to declare an alternate major, as Public Health is a capped major with limited capacity. Visit publichealth.berkeley.edu/admissions/undergraduate/ for more information about admission to Public Health. Be sure to also check in with a peer advisor.

Admissions rate ~81.5%
Average GPA of accepted students (2017 - 18)
Prerequisite 3.44
Overall 3.43

HOW TO USE THIS MAP

Use this map to help plan and guide your experience at UC Berkeley, including academic, co-curricular, and discovery opportunities. Everyone's Berkeley experience is different and activities in this map are suggestions. Always consult with your advisors whenever possible for new opportunities and updates.

Visit vcue.berkeley.edu/majormaps for the latest version of this major map.

CONNECT WITH US

Cal Day
Come to UC Berkeley's annual Open House in April for information sessions, campus tours, special talks, and more.

Golden Bear Orientation
Join your peers in the campus-wide UC Berkeley orientation program for all new students.

Events
Attend department events with students, staff, and faculty. View the Public Health Undergraduate Newsletter at facebook.com/sphundergraduate.

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