



Public Health

Public health combats threats to health by implementing educational programs, developing policies, administering services, and conducting research. Over the last century, public health has led to increased life expectancies, world-wide reduction in infant and child mortality, and the elimination or reduction of many communicable diseases.

Possible Immediate Job Titles with a Bachelor's Degree

[Disease Ecologist](#)

Disease ecologists research the various impacts that natural- or human-induced environment changes have on the spread of disease. They typically work in a laboratory setting for a college, park, or any other public health organization. To become a disease ecologist, one must have a minimum of a Bachelor's degree in public health or a related field, such as biology or ecology.

[Health Educator](#)

Health educators not only educate the community about behaviors that affect health and wellness, but also devise and implement strategies that encourage and promote a healthy environment. To become a health educator, one must have a strong background in public health, or a related field, and generally must complete an internship related to public health in their own community.

Possible Job Titles with an Advanced Degree

[Director of Family Health](#) – **Master's Degree Required**

Directors of family health are responsible for managing and directing the operations of public health centers, from daily operations to long-term procedures. They generally work in an office setting. To become a Director of Family Health, one must not only have extensive coursework and experience in the field of public health, but also have managerial experience, as it is a managerial position.

[Pharmacoepidemiologist](#) – **Master's Degree Required**

Pharmacoepidemiologists research the potential spread of disease and work to protect the public from those diseases. They generally work for local, state, or federal agencies. To become a Pharmacoepidemiologist, one must have extensive coursework in public health, or a different related scientific field, as well as acquiring credentials in the public health field, such as the [Certified in Public Health](#) credential, or CPH.

This is not an exhaustive list of occupations and it is highly recommended you conduct informational interviews and engage in experiential learning activities to help you broaden your interest areas within your major. Please contact the Career Design Center and speak to a Career Coach for further discussion; 512-471-6700 Painter Hall (PAI) 5.03.



Online Resources

[What can I do with this major?](#)

[What can you do with a degree in Public Health?](#)

[Is a career in public health best for you? Explore Focus2.](#)

Job Posting Websites

[Handshake](#)

Handshake is Career Services' primary job posting site, and all students should have an account to not only apply for jobs and internships, but also to stay current on upcoming events, employer information sessions and other opportunities. Create an account!

[Vault](#)

[Idealist](#)

[National Association of
County and City Health
Officials](#)

[Going Global](#)

[Public Health Jobs
Worldwide](#)

[Dice](#)

[Public Health Jobs](#)

[Public Health Job Connection
– Emory](#)

[Indeed](#)

[Green Jobs Search](#)

[Health eCareers](#)

Professional Associations

[Partners in Information Access for the Public
Health Workforce*](#)

[Association for Professionals in Infection
Control and Epidemiology*](#)

[American Public Health Association*](#)

[Society for Public Health Education](#)

[World Federation of Public Health Associations](#)

[World Health Organizations*](#)

*Association Includes a Job Database

Additional Resources

[Association of Schools of Public Health](#)

[UT's Portal to Public Health](#)

[This is Public Health](#)