GRADUATE

Public Health / MBA

School of Education, Health and Human Behavior School of Business

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MPH/MBA at SIUE

This collaborative program offers students the option of earning both an MBA and MPH simultaneously.

The MBA is designed to develop the professional capabilities of managers working in business, focusing on topics such as:

- Quantitative analysis
- Decision-making
- Negotiation
- Enhancing quality and innovation
- Program management

• Ethical management of resources in a global environment Students in the MPH/MBA program will gain the skills and knowledge to lead public health and healthcare organizations. Students will be equipped with foundational knowledge in the five core areas of public health, as well as the skills necessary for higher level business and management roles.

Course Format

- MBA: Online, flexible seven-week courses and hybrid seven-week formats
- MPH: Classes are offered in the evening to accommodate working professionals, and courses are offered in an online or hybrid format with meetings once a week.

Degrees Available at SIUE

• Master of Business Administration (MBA) and Master of Public Health (MPH)

What can I do with an MPH/MBA?

With the dynamic changes in the U.S. healthcare system and an emphasis on prevention, positions are increasingly available in managed care organizations. Students earning an MPH/MBA will have in-depth knowledge of how to plan, implement, evaluate and disseminate programs, as well as the skills necessary to conduct these activities. Graduates will leave SIUE prepared for leadership roles in communities and health agencies to help prevent diseases and promote strategies to improve the health of individuals and communities.



Admission Requirements

- Graduate School application and \$40 fee
- A separate application must be submitted for both the MPH and MBA programs, indicating on the second application that the desire is to add a program. If applications for both programs are submitted for the same term, only one \$40 application fee is required.
- Submission of all postsecondary academic transcripts
- A cumulative master's GPA of 3.0 (A=4.0) or higher
- Personal statement describing how the program relates to professional goals (500-800 words)
- Current resume
- Completion of all MBA admission requirements
- International Applicants: Proof of English proficiency, minimum requirements are TOEFL (79), IELTS (6.5) or equivalent

Applicants who have significant public health work experience are encouraged to apply. Work experience will be evaluated as a part of the admission package. Scores from the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) are recommended, but not required.

Competitive applicants are students with an undergraduate degree in:

- Public Health
- NursingNutrition
- Community HealthExercise Science
- Sociology
- Social Work
- Psychology

• Health Education

Program application materials may be uploaded during the application process, but official transcripts must be sent directly from the school attended, and test scores must be verifiable with the appropriate testing service. Please contact the Graduate Admissions office with questions regarding the application submission process at graduateadmissions@siue.edu.

Application Deadline

The priority application deadline is March 1 for fall applicants. Additionally, students may apply for dual degrees, both an MBA and an MPH, with an additional application submitted to the School of Business and a request to waive the GMAT/GRE exam.

Graduation Requirements

In addition to completing the coursework, students must also satisfy a comprehensive examination requirement by earning a grade of B or above in MBA 534. Students who earn a grade below B will be given a second opportunity to complete the course in a satisfactory manner. Performance of individuals who fail to earn a B or above in the second attempt will be reviewed by two additional members of the School of Business Curriculum Committee who may recommend that the student be dropped from the program or, in rare instances, be permitted a third attempt to earn a grade of B or above under another instructor.

In addition to successful completion of the program of study, students are required to complete a capstone project in their second year within the six credit hour capstone course, PBHE 599. Students may choose to complete a thesis as the capstone project, but a thesis is not required.

The capstone project is a community-based project that will incorporate the material learned throughout the program. Students will work with an approved community partner to design, develop, implement and/or evaluate a project that emphasizes one or more of the public health core competencies and demonstrates relevant leadership skills. Students must successfully complete the capstone with a satisfactory grade.

Required Credit Hours/Tuition and Fees

- 57
- Visit siue.edu/graduate-tuition for detailed tuition information

Program of Study

The MPH is 33 credit hours, with six of those credit hours focused on the final project. The MBA is 36 credit hours, and four of the MPH courses are considered electives in the MBA program, for a combined total of 57 hours. MBA courses are offered in online, seven-week flexible options and hybrid seven-week options. MPH courses are offered in a hybrid or online format with meetings once per week in the evening to accommodate working professionals.

Sample full-time and part-time curriculum plans are available online at siue.edu/mph-mba.

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