HED - Public Health in Community Health Education Graduate Program

Master of Public Health in Community Health Education Program
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The Master of Public Health in Community Health Education Program (MPH-CHE) prepares health and human service professionals to serve in various settings where community health education approaches are employed to improve health and well being. The first degree of its kind offered in the UW System, the MPH-CHE program has been nationally accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (https://ceph.org) since 1992. This practitioner-oriented program addresses behavioral theory, communication and motivational processes, community intervention strategies, and evaluation procedures for community health promotion and primary prevention. As a culminating experience, students complete either a research masters thesis or a graduate project in health education.

Each option requires the same core courses. Graduate students from other programs are not allowed to enroll in health education graduate courses unless departmental approval has been given.

Graduates are prepared to:

• Assess individual and community health needs
• Plan effective health education and health promotion programs
• Implement and evaluate educational experiences
• Coordinate and manage the provisions of health education services
• Serve as resource people in health education
• Communicate health and health education needs, concerns, and resources
• Conduct health education and promotion research
• Apply research principles and strategies in health education
• Manage and supervise health education programs in various settings
• Address public health issues
• Serve as health and wellness coordinators

Graduates are employed in:

• Public health agencies
• Volunteer and private agencies
• Hospitals and other health care settings
• Local, state, and national governmental agencies
• Business and industrial settings

Graduate degree

• Master of Public Health in community health education - MPH (http://catalog.uwlax.edu/graduate/programrequirements/publichealthincommunity/community-health-education-mph)