

**MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
(INTERDISCIPLINARY PROGRAM)  
GRADUATE STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES  
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The Master of Public Health degree at Kansas State University is a campus wide, interdisciplinary program requiring a core of courses in general public health, an area of emphasis, and a culminating experience. The four approved areas of emphasis are 1) food safety, 2) infectious diseases and zoonoses, 3) nutrition, and 4) physical activity. A student with the appropriate background may elect a combined area of emphasis in nutrition and physical activity.

*Students seeking a Master of Public Health degree will be able to:*

**Knowledge:** Describe and discuss the five core areas of knowledge that are basic to public health and biosafety, i.e. biostatistics, epidemiology, environmental health, public health administration, and the social/behavioral aspects of public health.

**Skills:** Demonstrate acquisition of skills and experiences in the application of knowledge from an area of emphasis to the solution of regional, national, and international public health problems.

**Integration:** Demonstrate the ability to integrate knowledge and skills to solve problems and to produce scholarly work in a culminating experience in the form of a thesis, report, and/or community-based field project.

**Diversity:** Affirm the worth and personal dignity of everyone regardless of individual differences and contribute to a climate of civility, community, trust, and reasoned discussion on campus and in public health delivery settings.

**Professional Development:** Recognize the value of intellectual curiosity and the need for lifelong learning in order to keep abreast of changes in the fields of public health, biosafety, and security.

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