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MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH (MPH)

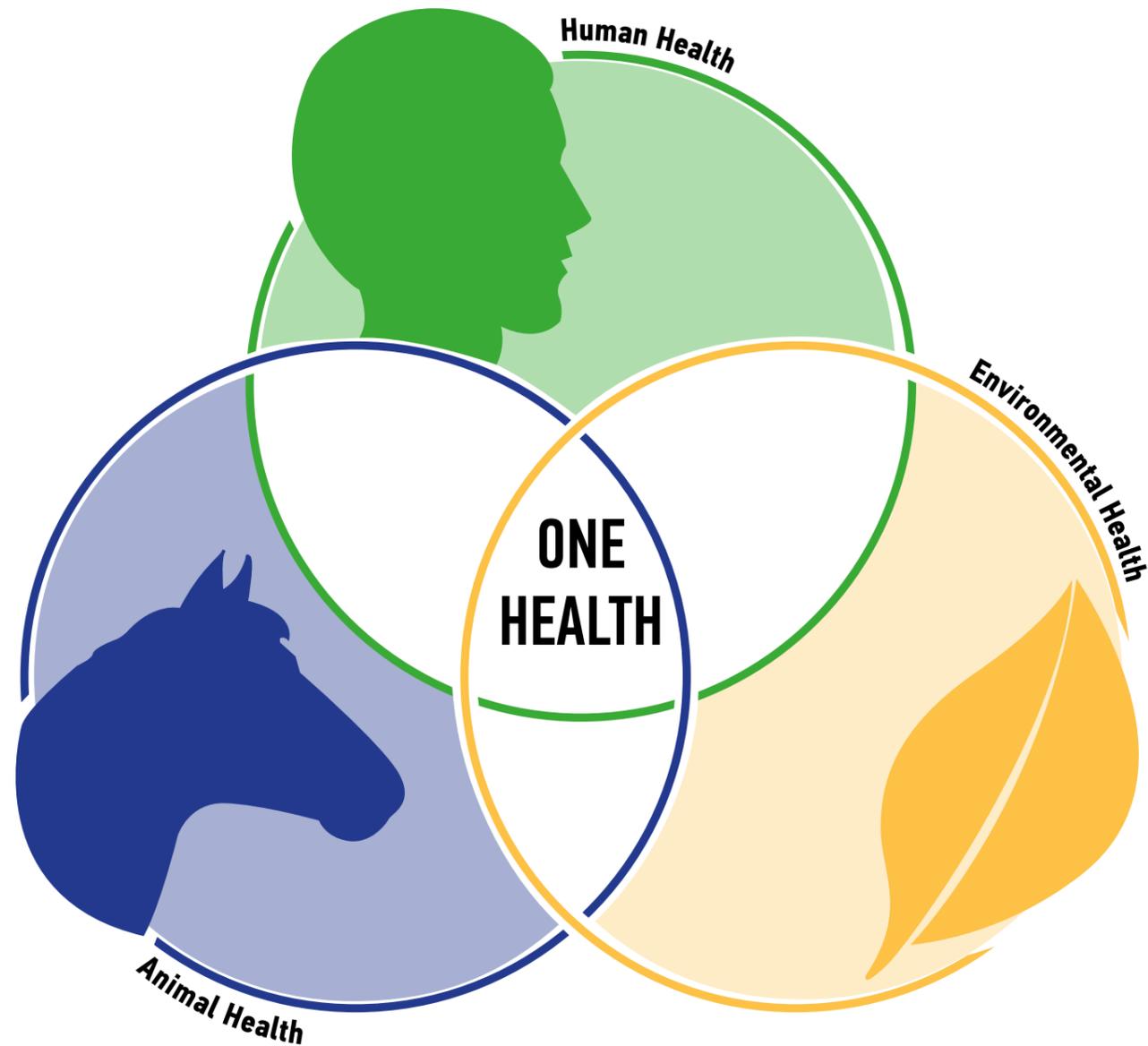


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ONE HEALTH

The **One Health** philosophy recognises that the health of people is inextricably interconnected with the health of animals and our shared environment. Putting One Health into practice requires a collaborative effort among multiple disciplines—at the local, regional and global levels—to achieve optimal health for people, animals and the environment.

The University of Nicosia's Master of Public Health (MPH) programme operates within the One Health concept. Our vision for the MPH is to develop a new generation of public health leaders who promote cooperation among the human, animal, and environmental health communities in order to make a difference in their own communities, regionally and globally.



“The University of Nicosia’s Master of Public Health programme is designed to cover the main pillars of public health and also offers the opportunity to specialise in topics such as global ageing and health, environmental and occupational health, health inequality and more. The curriculum of the programme is modern and dynamic, constantly updated to address current and emerging issues in public health in both the developed and developing world. The academics involved in our programme are not only experienced researchers in different fields of public health, but also passionate educators. I am delighted to have a major role in this exciting programme and really look forward to interacting with our students.”

Alexandros Heraclides
Programme Director



“Public health is all around us. During the last century life expectancy for the average person has increased by more than 30 years, mainly through key public health actions such as vaccinations, motor vehicle safety, clean water, food safety, improved nutrition and safer childbirth. There are a number of other factors, however, that still negatively affect our health. The University of Nicosia’s Master of Public Health programme will advance your knowledge, develop your skills and inspire you to tackle the new challenges in making your communities and people healthier.”

Ourania Kolokotroni
Chair of the Department of Primary Care and Population Health



A fully online Master degree from the first university in the European Union to earn a 5-Star rating for online/distance learning

Addresses critical policy issues and public health challenges in developed and developing countries

Study full-time or part-time

Ideal for working professionals and new graduates

Opportunity to sample programme through a free 1-week trial

OVERVIEW

Public Health refers to all organised measures aimed at preventing disease, promoting health and prolonging healthy life. Its aim is to ensure a high standard of living and well-being for individuals and societies globally.

The University of Nicosia's Master of Public Health (MPH) programme covers the main domains of Public Health Practice (Health Protection, Health Improvement, Health Services Provision) and offers the opportunity to specialise in a broad range of public health topics. The programme places a strong emphasis on global aspects of public health, as well as a focus on important public health issues in both developed and developing countries.

The curriculum is based on a dynamic approach, with continuous updating to address new and emerging issues threatening population health. This programme has been carefully designed according to the standards of the UK Faculty of Public Health, and the learning outcomes correlate to a large extent with those of the Membership of the Faculty of Public Health (MFPH) Part A exam.

A unique feature of our MPH programme is its international orientation: the programme is part of a Medical School with faculty, teaching hospitals and students from across the globe.

FLEXIBLE LEARNING TAILORED TO YOUR NEEDS

Our dynamic programme is tailored to the needs of full-time working professionals and new graduates. By choosing the number of courses per semester, students have the opportunity to determine their time schedule, study pace and workload. In addition, the distance learning mode, comprising online interactive lectures, tutorials, activities, and assignments, allows study outside normal working hours, as well as autonomy and control.

The MPH programme is delivered over 3 semesters (18 months full-time, or up to 4 years part-time) and features 6 core courses and 3 elective courses, from a selection of 8 electives.



“The complex problems we face, from obesity to climate change and planetary health, require innovative and interdisciplinary solutions. Gaining a public health perspective will be an asset in any career you pursue, from healthcare and research through to business, social entrepreneurship, law, policy, engineering or journalism. Having served at the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Public Health England, with training at Harvard and Oxford Schools of Public Health, I feel honoured to have this opportunity to develop the next generation of public health leaders, through the University of Nicosia’s Master of Public Health programme.”



Behrooz Behbod
Consultant in Public Health Medicine

“In an era of rapid development and population growth, it is essential that public health is a major priority for all governments globally, from the most developed countries to the least. Public health challenges are constant and complex, and there is a need for highly skilled and competent professionals to deal with these. I am excited to be involved in the University of Nicosia Master of Public Health, a programme designed with the aspiration of educating the next generation of public health professionals locally, regionally and globally.”



Kyriakos S. Markides
Professor of Aging Studies
Editor of the Journal of Aging and Health

UNIVERSITY OF NICOSIA

For the past two decades, the University of Nicosia has led the development of life and health sciences programmes in Cyprus. In 2011, the University of Nicosia started the first medical programme in Cyprus by offering the St George's, University of London graduate-entry course. Our Medical School, the largest in the country, now also offers a 6-year MD degree programme designed for high school leavers, an MSc in Family Medicine for practising primary care physicians, a Doctorate in Medical Sciences (PhD) for research in all disciplines or specialties of Medicine, a Master of Science in Health Services Administration (MHSA), and the Master of Public Health (MPH). More than 740 students from 58 countries – including the United States, Canada, Australia and New Zealand – are enrolled in our Medical School.

The University of Nicosia has been awarded a 4-Star institutional rating by QS Stars University Ratings. It also is the first European university to be awarded a 5-Star rating for online/distance learning, and is the 13th university in the world to receive such a distinction.

CUTTING-EDGE ONLINE LEARNING

The programme is conducted completely online, with three courses delivered over 14 weeks each semester on an e-Learning Environment (Moodle), which includes multiple embedded synchronous and asynchronous learning activities, such as webinars, online chats, discussion fora and wikis. In addition, recorded lectures are designed to enhance student interactivity and active learning by including engaging slides with clickable tabs, interactive quizzes, drag-and-drop activities, matching activities and opinion polls.

Our programme follows standardised and validated pedagogical approaches, ensuring constant tutor-student interaction (webinars, online chats, discussion fora), student to student interaction (online chats, discussion fora, wikis), and student-material interaction (recorded lectures, additional resources).

INTERNATIONALLY RENOWNED FACULTY

To realise our vision of serving as a centre of excellence in public health education, we have brought together experts from around the world. Our faculty have extensive experience teaching, working and conducting research in public health, and each course is taught by a leader in their field.

STUDENT OUTCOMES

Thanks to our exciting approach to learning, with a curriculum constantly updated to focus on new issues in global public health, graduates are prepared to tackle real-world challenges. Upon graduation, they will be ready to work in health care, health policy, health protection, health promotion and disease prevention, health management, or health research at the local, national and international level.



Academic Path

The programme is divided into three semesters, comprising three courses each (10 ECTS per course). Core courses are taught in semesters 1 and 2 and are compulsory. After completing the core program, students may choose three (out of seven) elective courses in semester 3, or they may follow a more research-oriented path by undertaking a Master's Thesis (20 ECTS).

FIRST SEMESTER	
(30 ECTS, all courses required)	
Course code/Title	
MPH-511	Principles of Epidemiology and Public Health
MPH-512	Applied Statistics for Epidemiology and Public Health
MPH-513	Health Protection and Promotion: Safeguarding and Maintaining Wellbeing in Populations
SECOND SEMESTER	
(30 ECTS, all courses required)	
Course code/Title	
MPH-521	Epidemiology and Prevention of Chronic and Infectious Diseases in a Global Context
MPH-522	Health Policy Management and Leadership
MPH-523	Health Economics in the Context of Health Services and Systems: Global Perspectives
THIRD SEMESTER	
(30 ECTS, students are required to choose from the two options offered)	
Option 1	
MPH-590	Research Methodology in Public Health
MPH-596	Research Project (Master's Thesis)
or	
Option 2 (3 elective courses are chosen from the following)	
MPH-531	Environmental and Occupational Health
MPH-532	Health Inequality within and between Countries
MPH-533	Population Ageing and Health
MPH-534	Public Health Nutrition
MPH-535	Social and Behavioural Dimensions of Health
MPH-536	Ethical and Legal Dimensions of Public Health
MPH-590	Research Methodology in Public Health

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

1. A Bachelor's degree from an institution recognised in the country where it operates. A degree in medicine, health sciences, biological sciences, social sciences or environmental sciences is an advantage
2. One reference letter: Either academic or professional
3. English proficiency: If English is not your first language and you have not earned a degree taught in English, an IELTS score of 6.5 overall and no less than 6.0 in each of the sub-test components or an equivalent test and scores
4. An interview: Conducted in person or online

TUITION COSTS

The Master of Public Health programme aims to help improve global population health. In support of this goal, tuition fees are structured to allow access to the course by candidates from a wide range of countries with varying levels of development. This means tuition could be as low as €7,700 for the degree, with an instalment plan also available. Our admissions representatives can provide more details.

Please note that students are responsible for all costs incurred while taking examinations in their country of residence.



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