



Other Programmes Offered

**Master of Public Health
(MPH)**

**Doctor of Public Health
(DrPH)**

**Doctor of Philosophy
(PhD)**

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**MASTER OF
MEDICAL SCIENCE
IN
PUBLIC HEALTH
- MMedSc(PH)**



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Department of Social and Preventive Medicine

The Department of Social and Preventive Medicine, popularly known as SPM, is one of the 25 academic departments that contribute to the undergraduate and postgraduate teaching of the Faculty of Medicine, University of Malaya.



The Master of Public Health (MPH) introduced in 1974 was the first postgraduate programme in public health offered in Malaysia. It was designed to meet the needs of a multipurpose public health specialist equipped with professional and managerial skills, to enable the graduate to work in both the public health environment and hospital settings in Malaysia and developing countries.

In 2001, a new programme, the Master of Medical Science in Public Health (MMedScPH) was developed to cater for the needs of non-medical graduates such as nurses, pharmacists, environment health officers and others who work in the health field. It provides greater depth of knowledge in health disciplines to better equip the graduates in the work in a health setting. It also develops analytical and research skills for those who aspire to pursue doctoral studies.

The SPM department, since its inception has produced graduates who now serve with distinction in the Ministry of Health, universities and international agencies both locally and overseas. SPM, with the diversity of academic staff and students, is dedicated to the development of public health and looks forward to the future with vigour and enthusiasm. You are welcome to join us in this exciting endeavour.

Master of Medical Science in Public Health

The Master of Medical Science in Public Health (MMedScPH) programme is aimed at producing competent allied health staff with a broad knowledge in public health. The programme was introduced in 2001 in response to a need for allied health staff who serve in the then fast expanding rural health service to have better knowledge of public health, both locally and internationally.

The teaching programme had been revamped to allow more flexibility to match the students' individual interest or their country's requirements. Students are able to choose their preferred modules to fit their preferences. This one year programme has continuously produced allied health officers to meet local and international need.



Entry Requirements

The degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery of the University; or

The degree of Bachelor of Dental Surgery of the University; or

A Bachelor's degree of the University with at least a second class honours in a relevant discipline; or

An equivalent qualification approved by the Senate; and

At least one year of relevant work experience; and

Minimum TOEFL score of 550 (paper-based), or 213 (computer-based), or 80 (Internet-based), or IELTS band 6.

Programme

Core Courses *

- Principles and Methods of Epidemiology
- Research Methodology
- Research Proposal Development
- Principles of Biostatistics
- Management in Health
- Principles of Family Health
- Society, Behaviour and Health
- Occupational and Environmental Health

*Total 25 Credits

Elective Courses**

- Epidemiology of Diseases in Malaysia
- Analysis of Rates and Proportions
- Producing Better Evidence
- Advanced Concepts of Biostatistics
- Research Paper
- Health Economics
- Law and Health
- Women, Child and Adolescent Health
- Women's Health
- Child and Adolescent Health
- Men's Health
- Elderly Health
- Mental Health
- Medical Demography
- Sexual and Reproductive Health
- Behavioural Sciences
- Health Promotion
- Occupational Medicine
- Medical Surveillance and Fitness to Work
- Essentials in Public Health
- Public Health Nutrition
- Qualitative Inquiry in Public Health
- Health Risk Assessment

**Total 15 Credits Required

