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Goals of the One Health Online Track MPH Dual-Degree Program

Students pursuing dual degrees in DVM/MPH or MSW/MPH through **LSU's School of Public Health One Health Online Track** will gain comprehensive knowledge and skills to advance health promotion, disease prevention, and evidence-based service delivery in communities. Emphasizing interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary approaches, the program cultivates a deep understanding of the intersection between veterinary medicine or social work and public health. Graduates emerge uniquely qualified to contribute extensively to global health, bridging biomedical and social work domains in order to more comprehensively prevent and intervene at population levels..

This dual degree program is crafted to equip graduates for diverse interdisciplinary career environments, aligning with the CDC's One Health initiative. This initiative recognizes the interconnectedness of human, animal, and ecosystem health, aiming to enhance cooperation among healthcare professionals, veterinarians, social workers, and public health experts. With just 11 additional courses and credits from your primary program, you can strengthen your resume with a sought-after degree while developing the leadership and management skills needed to promote and defend the health and well-being of all species.

Tuition & Fees

Total credit hours per program: 38 credit hours

Cost per credit hour with fees: \$604

The total cost above does not include transfer credits or financial aid. Cost per credit hour and fees are subject to change. Fee schedules may vary by program depending on course-specific fees for proctoring and/or books.

The Student Perspective

Katie Como
DVM/MPH Alumni



Clinicians treat the problem sitting directly in front of them, but clinician-scientists take one step further by making hypotheses, asking more questions, finding correlations, and learning from their daily endeavors. I would challenge anyone considering doubling up to take the opportunity to reflect on why they are considering the program. There are many careers that require a DVM and an MPH or additional public health studies; however, the MPH is a valuable additional tool for veterinarians of any specialty looking to best fulfill our obligation to promote public health and the advancement of medical knowledge, as written in our oath.

Aidan Morse
MSW/MPH Alumni



The best part [of completing both programs at the same time] has been being able to take a public health perspective in my social work classes and fieldwork and bringing a social work perspective to my public health courses. The two disciplines really dovetail well together, and I am glad I was able to squeeze both in because they match my interests and really expand my job prospects. I have met some great people involved in both programs so I'm thankful for the opportunities I've already had and eager to explore how both degrees will help me in the future.

Admissions Information

Application Requirements:

- Acceptance by the LSU School of Social Work or Veterinary Medicine
- The deadline to apply to the LSU School of Public Health for the dual degree program is **May 1**
- MPH application form, including:
 - Signed [Release of Admissions Records](#) from LSU School of Social Work OR Veterinary Medicine
 - Statement stating "Why You Wish to Pursue an MPH Degree"
 - Copy of Letter of Acceptance from the LSU School of Social Work or Veterinary Medicine

All pieces must be submitted prior to May 1 on the [LSU School of Public Health's Application Portal](#)

For Questions about the LSU School of Public Health Application:

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Required MPH Course Titles	Credit Hours
Core Required Courses (19 credit hours)	-
Epidemiologic and Biostatistical Methods in Public Health	4
Building Bridges: Communication and Collaboration in Public Health	3
Principles for Population-Based Management	3
Essential Fundamentals of Health Policy	3
Practice Experience	3
Culminating Experience	3
Program Required Courses (14 credit hours)	-
One Health	3
Determinants of Global Health	2
Improving Population Health Outcomes and Quality of Health Care	3
Geospatial Health and Environment	3
Community Analysis, Ecol & Health Disparities	3
Electives (5 credit hours)	-

Questions?

Additional information about the LSU School of Public Health, the curriculum for the joint degree program, faculty and staff can be found on our website at sph.lsuhsu.edu. Additional information about the LSU School of Social Work or School of Veterinary Medicine, the curriculum for the joint degree program, faculty and staff can be found on our websites at www.socialwork.lsu.edu or <https://www.lsu.edu/vetmed>.

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