Population Health, BS

ASU is not accepting applications for this program, effective Spring 2024. Interested students should apply to the Public Health BS program.

Develop knowledge and skills in an emerging field that optimizes health using an understanding of the complex systems of public health and health care delivery --- two educational domains central to ASU’s College of Health Solutions.

Program Description

In the BS in population health program, students learn how social determinants of health, access to care, and infrastructure influence the health of defined groups. They also gain understanding of how community and professional stakeholders work across systems to improve health.

The multidisciplinary program features many modes of learning to enable and empower students. One is experiential learning, including student engagement as citizen scientists, to better understand population health. The program provides training in biomedical informatics, economics, social determinants of health, program and community assessment, program planning and health care delivery. This education leaves graduates well equipped to enter a growing field.

In the program, students can choose a track tailored to their professional interests. This allows them to customize their learning by focusing on health care compliance, health education, environmental systems, health systems design and improvement, or health informatics.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** [College of Health Solutions](#)
- **Location:** [Downtown Phoenix, West](#)
• Additional Program Fee: Yes
• Second Language Requirement: No
• First Required Math Course: MAT 117 - College Algebra
• Math Intensity: Moderate

Required Courses (Major Map)

2023 - 2024 Major Map
Major Map (Archives)

Concurrent Program Options

Students pursuing concurrent degrees (also known as a "double major") earn two distinct degrees and receive two diplomas. Working with their academic advisors, students can create their own concurrent degree combination. Some combinations are not possible due to high levels of overlap in curriculum.

Admission Requirements

General University Admission Requirements:
All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.
First-year | Transfer | International | Readmission

Tuition Information

When it comes to paying for college, everyone’s situation is different. Students can learn about ASU tuition and financial aid options to find out which will work best for them.

Change of Major Requirements

Students should visit the Change of Major form for information about how to change a major to this program.

Transfer Options

ASU is committed to helping students thrive by offering tools that allow personalization of the transfer path to ASU. Students may use MyPath2ASU® to outline a list of recommended courses to take prior to transfer.

ASU has transfer partnerships in Arizona and across the country to create a simplified transfer experience for students. These pathway programs include exclusive benefits, tools and resources, and they help students save time and money in their college journey.
Global Opportunities

Global Experience
With over 300 programs in more than 65 countries (programs vary in length, from one week to one year), study abroad is possible for all ASU students wishing to gain a global perspective and knowledge in preparation for their career. Students earn ASU credit for completed courses, while staying on track for graduation, and they may apply financial aid and scholarships toward program costs.

Career Opportunities

Multiple career opportunities exist for graduates with a degree in population health, depending on the areas of expertise that they developed via core training in population health and the track that they pursued. Those who pursued the biomedical information track, for example, are most qualified for positions that require working with a variety of datasets, while those who chose the health education specialist track are trained to work at the interface of health care and public health.

Specific job titles that currently exist for those trained in population health include:

- community health worker
- health care data analyst
- program coordinator
- population health analyst, coordinator or specialist
- population health practice liaison for population outreach
- research assistant

Career example titles and salaries listed below are not necessarily entry level, and students should take into consideration how years of experience, geographical location, and required advanced degrees or certifications may affect pay scales.

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* Data obtained from the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) under sponsorship of the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA).
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