ABOUT THE MAJOR

Community Health will prepare students to work in entry-level positions in public health agencies, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), hospitals, health care centers, and other organizations. They focus on the health and well-being of groups of people and individuals. These professionals often focus on health education and illness prevention.

Skills and abilities this major develops includes: research, teamwork and leadership, cultural competency, communication skills, ethical decision-making, ability to analyze and evaluate, and knowledge of local and global healthcare systems.

OPPORTUNITIES AFTER GRADUATION

Career Opportunities

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment opportunities in the field of Community Health are expected to grow 13% between 2014 and 2024, which is faster than average for all occupations. The government, as well as employers and insurance companies, will continue to hire public health professionals in an effort to be proactive about possible health problems, which will ultimately lead to reduced health care costs.

Salary Information

Community health educators in the United States earned a median annual wage of $44,390 in 2016, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. In Indiana, community health workers earned an average of $47,060 per year.

Graduate & Professional School Paths

Community Health majors might pursue advanced degrees in the following areas: Health Administration, Public Health, Social Work, and Counseling.

WHERE TO GET MORE INFORMATION

IU Richard M. Fairbanks School of Public Health
fsph.iupui.edu

American Public Health Association
www.apha.org

Association for Community Health Improvement
www.healthcommunities.org

Sample Coursework:

- Environmental health science
- Theories of health behavior change
- Cultural competency in the promotion of public health
- High risk health behaviors and harm reduction
- Principles of epidemiology

Possible Careers:

- Disease prevention Specialist
- Health advocate
- Health coach
- Program coordinator
- Worksite wellness educator

Where Could I Work?

- Eskenazi Health
- Community Health Network
- The Marion County Health Department
- Indiana Department of Child Services
- IU Health

Complementing Interests:

Social  Enterprising  Artistic

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